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——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1707–08*——

The Consultation and Diary Booke of Thomas Pitt Esq^{r}. Governour and President &c^{a}. Council their Proceedings and Transactions in the Affairs of the R^{t}. Hon^{ble} United English East India Company in the Presidency of the Coast of Choromandell &c^{a}. Begun 5th. January 1707–08.

Received ℘ Pattamar a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David the 3^{d}. Instant. 5TH

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. GOV^{r}. & President.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Doctor Bulkly acquainting the Governour this morning of M^{r}. Empsons death he immediatly sent for the Paymaster and Secretary whom he ordered to go to his Lodgings, and to inquire of his Nephew M^{r}. Griffith whether he knew of any Will, and if not that they three should surch his Scrutores for it, which accordingly they did, but found none, upon w^{ch}. 'tis agreed that the Paymaster M^{r}. Hunt and the Secretary in conjunction with M^{r}. Griffith his Nephew (who lived wth. him) to take an Inventory of his Estate, and all sign the [same before] me, and for what Cash he has by him, or shall be made his effects when [found] just and due ['ts] ordered they payes into the Companys Cash, and as they have perused his Papers, and are in for circumstances they report to the Governour.

M^{r}. Matthew Empson who succeeded M^{r}. Warehouse, Tis agreed for the present that [M^{r}. Rob^{t}.] Raworth take charge thereof till farther [orders] on what Bales the Dutchess can take in, [there]after she's Dispatchd to settle the Accounts [on M^{r}.] Empsons Death, and take an Acco^{t}. of an [Inventory] of which they deliver out and [*a few words lost*] of that Office.

Thomas Pitt Esq^{r}: President reads his Acco^{t}. of [the R^{t}. Hon^{ble}.] United Companys Cash for the month of December.

Thomas Pitt Esq^{r}. Mintmaster reads his Mint Acco^{t}. of December, and payes into Cash Pa. 77 : 24.

M^{r}. Hunt Accomptant produces the Journ^{ll}. Parcells of the Acc^{ts}. reported to the primo of last month.

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Agreed that One Thousand Pagods. be advanced [Mr. Robt. Raw]orth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Ordered the Paymaster muster Ship Du[tchess] and report the same to this Board.

THO: PITT.
WILL: [MARTIN].
ROBT: [RAWORTH].
THOS: [FREDERICK].
[RICHD: HUNT].

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

9TH THOMAS PITT ESQR. Govr. & President
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD [HUNT].

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Accot. Cash [for] the month of January last.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Acct. for the Month of January last and pays into Right Honble. Company's Cash One Hundred Twenty Pagodas Nine fanams for Custom on Gold Coin'd, and payes to the Warehousekeeper ffive Hundred fifty [Rs.] 8 Anas on Custom of Silver Cound.

Messrs. Martin and Raworth reads Mr. Mathew Empson late Warehousekeeper his Accot. from pmo. December to the time of his death being [5th] of January.

The following Sums were pay'd into the Rt. [Honble. United] Company's Cash this day.

Peter Pomere &a. Arrack ffarmers ffour Hundred.

Ponnagettee Narso &ca. Tobacco & Beetle ffarmers ffive Hundred Eighty Three Pagodas 12 fanams.

Messrs. Martin and Raworth Warehousekeeper [...] Hundred Eighty Seven Pagodas [...] [of the Acct.] of the Warehouse.

[Mr. W. Martin] Sea Customer, Accot. Customs One [...]

[... Land] Customr., Accot. Land Customs Two [...]

[Mr. Richd. Hunt] Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers [Acct. for the month of] December last.

[The following] Generall Letters receivd were all [read and approved]

[from the Govern]er & Council of Bombay datd. 17th. Sepr.

[from the Cheif] & Councl. of Vizagapm. datd. 19th. January

[from ...] Leshly at Jaffnapatm. 25 Janry.

[from ...] Metchlepm.

Charges Garrison	Pags.	12 : [..]
Dyet and Stores	,,	564 : [..]
Charges Cattle	,,	33 : [..]
Charges Extraordry.	,,	14 : [..]
Charges Generall	,,	366 : 11[....]
ffortifications & repairs	,,	110 : 11[....]
Presents	,,	46 : [..]
	Pags.	2,334 : 24[....]

and Agreed that One Thousand Pagodas be advanced to defray Charges Garrison.

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Agreed that the Metchlepatam Bill of Exchange for Three Hundred Pagodas payable to Kittee Narrain be dischargd.

The Governour Acquaints the Board that he was informd that by the means of some that sett here, there have been Persons Employd when the Nabob was at S^t^. Thoma to raise troubles about the Casts, and to confirm that there was certainly such Endeavours, some had the impudence to raise Reports notwithstanding the little distance between this and S^t^. [Thoma ...] [*Several lines lost except in parts.*]
respectfully us'd [...]
otherwise so that [..]
the Council should [...]-
-ly was Administered [...]
The Cloth which [...]
and Peons ha[...]-
ess was now [...]
y^t^. following [ ]
Betteelas [...]
Ditto [...]
Ditto [...]
Ditto [...]
Whereas [...]
Order'd that [...]
drew up a [...]
[...] Lord High [...]
Excus'd and that [...]
the same.

[......] pay [......] Two hundred for one year ending [...Jan]uary

Tho: Pitt.
[W:] Mar[tin].
Rob^r^. Raworth.
Tho: Frederick.
Richd: Hunt.

I, A. B. do upon the Holy Evangelist solemnly Swear that I have not been aiding or abetting [in any] ways concernd in fomenting or Encourageing troubles between the Casts or to my knowledge [counte]nanceing such Persons who have nor have I any [way] promoted, nor do I know of any [of their] pro[posals or ru]-mours about erecting those stones in the [streets] at their being first sett up or lately [what] was at S^t^. Thoma and I do promise [that such] Person as [encourag]eing to my knowledge [...] about in [.........r]ise to incite [and] disturb the peace of [the country].

At a Consultation [..]

Present

Thomas Pitt Esq^r^. Gov^r^. & President.
William [Mar]tin. Rob^t^. Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. Richar^d^. Hunt.

The Na[bob be]eing very pressing for a Persian Horse of the Governours for which he has been often offered 450 Pagodas but he being willing to give no more than 400 'tis agreed the Company allows the 50 Pagodas.

This day were brought before us the Four Head Men of the Boatmen one of which for his discovering this [villainy] the Paddenaigue orderd him to be set at liberty and for the future to be the Cheif Boatman of this Place and the other Three

to be whipt round the Town, stand [there] severall days in the Pilloury from 10 to 12 and the last day to have their Ears cutt off, and kept Prisoners till a Ship goes to the West Coast and then sent thither.

There being but one Lieutenant of the Military since Cap^t^. Seaton was dischargd, it's agreed that M^r^. John Isaack now first Ensign be made Second Lieutenant and that Thomas Dullon Serj^t^. be made an Ensign.

M^r^. Barker who has been for many Years School Master here, who lately dyed 'tis Agreed John Knapton who is best qualified for that employ be made Schoolmaster.

It is my Opinion [y^t^.] Commission ought to be given [to Mr.] Roach, because [for] him to be subject to the [several] of these Acts made in y^e^. 6^th^. year [of king] W^m^. w^ch^. appear to be in force [in His] Majesties [......] Reign, by the prosecution [of] James Boucher Feb^ry^.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T^: RAWORTH.
RICH^D^: HUNT.
THO: FREDERICK.

No. 39 [Receivd ℘ Pattamar] Letter from the [D^y^. Gov^r^. and Council of] fort S^t^. David dat^d^. [......] copys of their Paymaster, Sea and Land Custom Stewards Accounts.

THURSDAY 15^TH^

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. Gov^r^. & Presid^t^.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

The President payes into the R^t^. Hon^ble^. United Company's Cash one hundred forty two Pagod^s^. 29 fanams being [for pro]vissions extraordinary for the Souldiers whilst the [troubles] about their Cast, which he received from their Pagoda Duty.

Mess^rs^: Raworth, Hunt and the Secretary report that they found in M^r^. Matthew Empsons Scrutore two Ru[bies], Diamonds p^r^: about Eleven Mangeleens, which was left with him by a Merchant to buy, but not finding in any [way] or by his Kinsman or servants that he had pay'd for [them] and knowing 'tis customary for Merchants to leave [Dia]monds for their View; 'tis therefore agreed that the Merchant giving his oath that he had received no money for them [and] they be returned him, and what farther corobarates [we be]leive, is that the Governour affairms that those two [sets of] stones were left with him some dayes, which he returned to the Merchant since New years day as not being [suited] so 'tis hardly creditable that M^r^. Empson had agreed [to pay for] them.

M^r^. Charles [*some words lost*] Brother Edward Fleetwood and [*some words lost*] will his [Trus]tees, and the former going soon after to China left all his effects with M^r^. Empson, which money he kept apart as by a Note in a bagg, and his Account Currant found in his scrutore, w^ch^. is agreed to be delivered to M^r^. Fleetwood, and what else belongs to his Brother.

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The Heads of both Casts having been for some dayes in the Pagoda, This day appear'd before us, when acquainted us that they had settled all matter in dispute between them about their streets &c^a^. which they had put in writing and signed, and being Translated was read to us which we confirmed, and promissed to ratify all they had done as soon as the Ship was dispatchd, the Translate of the Agreement is as Entered after this Consultation.

Both Casts complain against the Kicullawarr weavers and the Oyle men that they were very fickle in their Cast, that they were sometimes of one Cast, and sometimes of another, which give trouble to both Casts, so desired the heads may be sent for, which accordingly was done when the Weavers declared for the Left hand, and the Oyle men for the Right hand, which they were ordered to keep too, or be severely punished.

There being upwards of Five hundred houses to be Exchanged between the Right and Left hand 'tis agreed between both Casts, that it be done by Four Bricklayers and Four Carpenters, Viz^t^.

Bricklayers	[. . .] [. . .] Mear Moota. Marrebapau. Gruapau.
Carpenters	Nina Chief Carpenter Quallandeepau. Lingapau. Grua Moortee.
Conicoplys	Tombeehappilloo for the Right hand. Quo Oora Chintombee for the Left hand.

who are to take their Oaths in the Pagoda that the value of every mans house according to the best of the judgment, and both sydes agreed on, Two Conicoplys are to be sworne in the same manner as to their ke[eping] the Accounts.

The Governour acquaints the Council that about [seven] or eight dayes past the Governour of S^t^. Thoma has coined a parcell of fanams and Cash, which he's informed is threw Sunca Rama's means and when he distributed them to the shroffs there and at Pullamullee, he ordered beat of Drum that none of that sort of Coine of [Madrass] should pass in those places, which as soon as [they] heard of, ordered the same here, as to any of those [fanams] and Cash, that whoever should bring any within Bounds, should be severely punished, and since the Governour is Dead.

Agreed One Thousand Pagod^s^. be advanced M^r^. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

M^r^. Raworth [*some words lost*] to be seventy eight men and Boys.

M^r^. William Martin Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of December last.

M^r^. William Jennings delivers in a Petition requesting to lay down the Companys service, agreed the same be granted him and [h]is Petition is as Entered after this Consultation.

M^r^. Thomas Frederick Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of December last viz^t^:—

Choultry Custom	Pag^s^.	97 : 10 : 4
Rubie Broakers	„	6 : 4 : 1
Town Broakers	„	18 : 32 : 1
Registring Slaves	„	216 : [...] [...]
	Pag^s^.	124 : 27 : —

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Agreed to Dispatch Ship Dutchess on Monday the 19th Instant.

George Thorpe and Henry Stephens of the Military in this Garrison having served their Covenanted time and requesting their discharge; Agreed the same be granted them.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

GIVEN IN THE PRESENCE OF THE HON^BLE. THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^T. GEORGE &C^A. COUNCIL, being Present RAHA[. .] RAMAPAU, TANKSALLA VERDAPAU, KITTEE NARRAIN, QUONEGORE QUOMORALL PEDENEAGUE by the Right and Left hand Casts Inhabitants of CHINAPATAM dated 14^th of January $170\frac{7}{8}$.

WHEREAS there has lately been difference [in] streets between Partys, occasioned by a Wedding going [in] procession in the Peddenaigues Petta, and is being brought [before] your Honour &c^a. who ordered us to choose out Twelve Headmen of each Cast to meet in the Gentue Pagoda, and make matters and then report what done to your Honour those of the Right hand were as follows. NAIRA VEROPA CHITTEE, TA[UNA] TROVITTEE MOODELAREE, VELOORE AUNDEPAU MOODELAREE, PEGUE CHINNIHA, ANCILLA DE[OS]CITTY, MOORAURE RAMONSULOO, MAUMBUL[LUM] CHINARAGGA VENGANA, POCALLO RAMMA KI[STNA], GANNAVARAM RAMADOS, BUTSOOGOUNDA ROSALOO, TINNALURE BOODA CHITTEE, PARANE POOTURE MAREHAPA, FOR THE LEFT HAND WERE CHOSE PALLARAGA VELEAPA NINAPA, TAGGA VINKETTEE CHITTEE, TERUVENGADEM COLLAWAY CHITTEE, QUODUMBAUC[A] CAURNAPA CHITTEE, QUODUMBAUCA PERI[TUMBA] CHITTEE, AULATURA PERETUMBA CHITTEE, COOIEE CHITTEE, RAGGA CHITTEE, VELLACHAREE MOOTOMORIA [MAISTRE], PARAU BUTTUNDO, [TAN]KSALLA CHINA [MOOTALLA], [ANSALLA RANGAPAU]. These Twenty Four agreed to and confirm'd as followes. The Left hand Cast cohabiting in severall streets that belong to the Right hand in the Peddeenagues Petta so that they can't safely make their Weddings; Therefore from this day all the [Right] hand that live in the Peddeneagues Petta shall have the following streets to live and make their weddings &c^a. Viz^t. Eastward of Eccombresheraloo Pagoda, as you go on the backsyde corner street of Vencate Narnapa's Stone Choultry and goe from that place along the Southward street as far as the well before Gulla [A . . .] house, where besides the South street there's another North street as you come from Braminy Appihas Garden which Joins to the well, and from the Well Westward as far as Dubash Ragganas house thence as you go Northward facing M^r. Empson, as far as Eccombrasharilloo Pagoda, and there's another corner street Northward of Nautowarry Pillary Pagoda as far as M^r. Empsons Garden, in which streets the Left hand shall live and make their Weddings but if the abovesaid streets are not enough to hold them all, some of those houses that lye to the Westward which belong to the Right hand, we will supply them with, and in case those are not enough too, we will find some houses out either of the East, North or South, and Eccombrasharilloo Pagoda, and Vencate Narnapas Choultry shall belong to both Casts, and the Left hand shall carry their Dead towards the Westward of Bangarr Rammas Garden street; those of the Right hand that now live in the above said two streets, shall change with the Left hand that did Inhabit in the Right hand street and hence forward live there, Both partys [*Pages 7 and 8 are missing*] Streets. The Left hand shall not buy those Gardens to Westward of the street that Fronts M^r. Empsons Garden without the Owners consent, nor shall the Right hand build any houses there. If any of the Casts Act contrary to this Agreement shall be fined

Twelve thousand Pagodas to the Hon^ble^. Company, and receive punishment according to the Custom of their Cast: To this we both agree and confirme. All the Eastward from Nautowarr Pillary Pagoda shall belong to the Right hand all the Westward to the Left hand Signed by

Left hand.	*Right hand.*
PALLARAGGA VELEAPAS NINAPA.	NAIRA VEROPA CHITTEE.
TAGGU VINKEITEE CHITTEE.	TAUNA TROUVITTEE MOODELA.
TERUVENGADUM COLLAWAY CHITTEE	VELOORE AUNDEPAU MOODELA.
QUODUMBAUCA CAURNAPA CHITTEE.	PEGUE CHINNIHA.
QUODUMBAUCA PERITUMBA CHITTEE	ANCILLA DEOSCITTY.
COOTEE CHITTEE.	MOORAURE RAMONSULOO.
RAGGA CHITTEE.	MAUMBULLUM CHINARAGGA VENGANA.
VELLACHAREE MOOTOMORIA MAISTRE.	POCALLA RAMMA KISNA.
PARAU BUTTUNDOO.	GANNAVARUM RAMADOS.
TANKSALLA CHINA MOOTALLA.	BUTSOOGOUNDA ROSALOO.
ANSALLA RANGAPAU.	TINNALURE COODA CHITTEE.
	PARANE POOTURE MAREHAPA.

TO THE HON^BLE^. THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &C^A^. COUNCIL
OF FFORT S^T^. GEORGE.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HON^R^. &C^A^.

My request, is having served the Rt. Hon^ble^. Company my fit contracted time [for] permission to returne home upon [the] Ship Dutchess, and that you'l please to grant me such suitable accomodation on board as may be customary to their servants at their returne and I shall also remain

Hon^ble^. S^r^. &c^a^.
Your Hon^rs^. &c^a^. Obed^t^. and
faithfull humble servant,
WILLIAM JENNINGS.

FORT S^T^. GEORGE,
JAN^RY^. 10^TH^ 170$\frac{7}{8}$.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. GOVERN^R^. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

TUESDAY 20^TH^

The Governour this morning summoned this Councell to acquaint them that just then the Peddeneague informed him that he discovered a Villainy in the Boat men un [load]ing the Companys Bales sent on board the Dutchess, [that] he hearing of in the night immediatly secured the Head Boatmen, and two Peons at the watching places by the Sea syde, on whom he found two peices of midling Long Cloth; The Governour immediatly sent for the Conicoply of the Godown to inquire what Peons were sent in the Boats that day they loaded fifteen boats which to his great surprize he told Him no Peons at all. Often at the Councill board he ordered that no [one other then] the Companys should goe off [or in their absence] Peons in the Boats, and the same he had often ordered the conicoply when with him, and twice or thrice beat him himself when that he found he neglected it.

The Cheif of the Boatmen were before us when the Ped[de]neague charged them with the knowledge of this Villa[iny] and brought one of their servants to their face to pro[hibit] it, who did not only do that, but sent some of their people with their servant to one of the Cheifs houses and found four peices of Betteelaes buryed under Ground, upon which orders were given to apprehend all the Boatmen that

were ashore, and those that were gone off in Boats when they returned, and as soon as the Governour was informed of it, and knowing four Boats were gone off [that] morning with Bales, he sent for Captain Raymond[s] whom he desired to write to his Mate to su[r]ch the [Dutchess] so soon as come on board to see whether they had not play'd the same tricks with those Bales, when some of those Boats off returned near the surff[ace] their assosiats [and] this Villainy made them some private sign, so that they returned again as farr as the Paddy boats, and there consulted one another, from which we apprehended they would run away to the Northward or Southward, [so] presently sent two Boats with the Vizagapatam Boats men with souldiers to prevent it, which as soon as they discovered Ten Boats run away to the Southward upon which the Governour ordered the Gunner to [fire] shott from the Battery and sinck them if possible severall of which fell very near, but had not [time to go] do execusion, and the [Ship Dutchess] their Pinnace, who cutt off the flight of four & brought them back, but the other six got to S^t^. Thoma, wh[i]ther the Governour sent Peons with our Braminy to severe them as they came ashore and bring them hither which if the Governour refused to charge them with them both which they refused, upon which 'twas thought fitt to fetch them with a Company of souldiers, but upon consideration we then heard the Nabob was at Conjeveron and expected every day at S^t^. Thoma, we desisted beleiving the consequence would be imbroiling the Company affairs for the present; upon which 'twas agreed to write the Nabob a Letter and another to the Govern^r^. of S^t^. Thoma, who is now at Pullamullee, and if we have not immediate redress then to apply ourselves to other courses to procure it.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

20TH The Governour being advised that the Nabob was arrived so near as Pullamulle, he this evening sent [our] Mulla and Braminy to meet him, and pay his complyment to him, and accompany him to S^t^. Thoma whither he heard he was coming.

21ST This day about Ten in the morning the Nabob came to S^t^. Thoma with about one Thousand Horse, and Fifteen hundred Foot, when our Mulla and Braminy returned to us, and acquainted they had waited [for] him as ordered, who received the complyment as marke of respect, and returned his thanks.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

WEDNESDAY. 21ST

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

This morning the Governour severely punished all [the] seasyde Peons, and we ordered the two Peons that were taken with the two Peices of cloth to be whip'd round [the] Town, and tomorrow morning to be put in the Pillory with their Ears nail'd thereto, and at twelve a clock at noone to be cut off.

Tho' we are apprehensive that these Villains have stole out of the Bales on board the Dutchess to a great amount, and that we cannot come at the [certainty] without unloading the Ship, which will not [be] augment[ed] but [lessened or reduced so much] as may indanger herPassage upon which consideration we have resolved to dispatch the Ship, and the Company may have right done them, for what they have stolen to take

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an obligation from the Warehouse and Sea Gate Conicoplys, seasyde Peons, and Boatmen to pay what shall be found wanting when open'd in the Companys Warehouses in England which obligation is as Entered after this Consultation.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

Translate of an obligation given to the Hon^ble. President and Council of Fort S^t. George by the Warehouse Conicoply, Sea Gate Conicoply, Seasyde Peons and Mucquaws.

We the Conicoplys belonging to the Warehouse, and Sea Gate, and the Peons belonging to the latter with [the] Mucquaws give this writing to the Hon^ble. Governour and Council of Fort S^t. George, that [besides what the] Companys sent on board the Dutchess, [also] they have taken severall peices the Number [and ...] amount not yet discovered, and to unload this 'tis impossible at this time of year so as to relade her enough to saile to save her Monsoon; we doe hereby oblige ourselves jointly and severall by these presence in the forfeiture of Five thousand Pagodas, that so soon as there comes an answere from the Hon^ble. Company how much is wanting of said Ships Invoice that we will make the same good, and with our free will we give this writing under our hands Fort S^t. George January 21^st: 170⅞.

Ship Dutchess [Tireda Geen] to signifye she was full. 22^D.

Ship Maddapollam belonging to Auga Jaffar arrived in this road from Bengall. 23

Queen Anne Ketch belonging to Narrain arrived from D[ansburgh].

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATTURDAY 24^TH

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERN^R. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

A Letter from the Lord High Steward of King Shaw Allums household now read, the purport whereof is [his] professing great kindnesses and tendering his [help for] any Affair that we have to negotiate [with him]. The Letter from the aforesaid High Steward [asks] us to Petition the King for a confir[mation and] Priviledges, and that we would [always] endeavour to effect, so the [...] in regard he had been lately [...] the business of the Cast, that the [settlement] of this Affair should be left to a Committee of y^e. [ffollowing] Viz^t. Mess^rs. Martin, Frederick and Hunt, who are ordered to Draw up a Petition to the King and an answer to the Lord High Steward with a particular of what priviledges we stand in need of that will contribute to the future advantage and prosperity of the Companys Affairs, and when done to lay it before the board for our approbation. [23^RD]

The Nabob being come to S^t. Thomas 'tis adviseable by all that we make him a Present, tho' it is not [above ...] sixteen months agoe that he had one for 'tis beleived he comes for that purpose having been at great charge lately in presenting Cawn Bux, and not knowing as yet of a certainty who will be King of this Country, and let it be who it will, 'tis thought the Nabob rather then loose his Employ will come over to his party, if we should omitt Presenting him now, he may not thwart

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us in our business now, but alsoe prevent what we hope to effect to the Companys advantage when the Government comes to be settled, for which reason [it is resolved] that we make him the following Present:—

Scarlet 2 peices	Pags.	70	– –
White cloth 2 peices	,,	58	– –
Aurora 2 peices	,,	44	– –
Broad cloth ordinary Red and Green 4 ps.	,,	60	– –
[*some words lost*]			

and that Mr. Raworth and Henry Davenport waits on him with it, and that the Mulla [and Braminy] know when he will be attended.

A Letter from Captain Hopkins Comandr. of [the . . .] at Mallacca dated 12 July last now read.

Tho: Pitt.
W: Martin.
Robt: Raworth.
Tho: Frederick.

24th Last night Capt. Raymond went off on board his [Ship] Dutchess, and at 4 this morning sailed for England.

– Ship Idurree belonging to Auga Muggeem [arrived] in this Road from Bengall.

– Ship Saint Laurennes Coja Oanis Noquedah [arrived] in this Road from Tenasseree.

26 Ship Pearle Captain Boutcher arrived in this Road [from] Fort St. David.

– [Ship] Maddapollam Yatch arrived from Fort St. David.

27 Riseing Sun Smack belonging to the Rt. Honble. Company arrived with Bales from Fort St. David.

This Day Mr. Raworth and the Secretary ordered to await upon the Nabob, went [aboard] this morning and carryed with them [*some words lost*] gave them [*some words lost*].

[February] 1st Ship Mahomuddee [. . .] Hulli owner arrived from Ganjam.

3 Maddapollam Yatch sailed for Fort St. David.

4 The Nabob this morning went from St. Thoma towards his Camp at Arcot, who during his stay here has drank very hard, and selldome in humour grumbling very much at the small amount of our Present, saying yt. the Dutch and French gave more then twice as much, he also resented our taking away the wreck of Mr. Hastings Ship that was lost in November last about ffive miles from this place, which we justifyed by our Mulla, not only as it was our due by reason and justice but that we had also his former Perwanna for the like, and whilst his being here the Governour was informed that some mischievous and disaffected people Whites, as well as blacks were endeavouring to create fresh troubles about the cast, (which was few dayes agoe settled) and in order thereto had sent for out of the Country two of the heads of the Right hand, who were the Two cheif Villains formerly at St. Thoma, who sett up a few poor retches of Parriars to clamour against our setting up the stones, which were lately excepted against in the Generall Letter, but the Governour took such measures (of which he will hereafter informe the Company) to procure the Nabob seizing the heads in a disgracefull manner, whom he carryed away Prisoners with promiseing he would punish them severely [. . .].

Riseing Sun Smack [arrived from Fort] St. David [. . .].

[*Pages 19–24 both inclusive are missing.*]

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1707–08* ——

M^{r}. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Acct: for the month of January last Viz^{t}.

Charges Garrison	Pa.	1,221 :	19 :	
Dyet and Stores	,,	371 :	26 :	
Charges Cattle	,,	51 :	12 :	
Charges Extraord^{ry}.	,,	2 :	10 :	
Charges Generall	,,	329 :	13 :	
ffortifications & Repairs	,,	93 :	1 :	
		2,069 :	9 :	

and agreed that ffive Hundred Pagodas be advanced to defray Charges Garrison.

Generall Letter from Cap^{t}. Harrison and M^{r}. Cook SupraCargoes of the Kent at Canton dated 23^{d}. Nov^{r}. and 5th. of December now read.

M^{r}. William Martin Sea Customer pays into the Right Hon^{ble}. Company's Cash 1,000 Pagodas Acct. Sea Customs.

THO : PITT.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.
RICH^{D} : HUNT.

[*Few lines missing.*]

report that in opening a Chest of Looking Glasses N^{o}. [. . .] they found three Glasses broake.

The Sea Customer having Examined his Accounts with the Bookes, and now read it for the month of January Viz^{t}.

Custom on Goods Imported & Exported		1,544 :	9 :	2.
Custom on Grain		455 :	24 :	5
Anchorage		13 :	,,	,,
	Pags.	2,012 :	34 :	1:

The following Generall Letters received now read.

From Fort William dated 15th. January 170$\frac{7}{8}$.

ffrom M^{r}. Noden at Metchlepatam dat^{d}. 9th. February 17[0$\frac{7}{8}$].

Ordered that the Accomptant drawes out the adjustment between this Place, Bengall, Vizagapatam, Fort S^{t}. David, and West Coast.

M^{r}. Richard Hunt Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers Account for the month of January last.

Ordered that the Warehousekeepers unloads forthwith the Peter come on Ship Degraft for the United Comp^{s}: Acct.

THO : PITT.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.
RICH^{D} : HUNT.

Maddapollam Yatch arrived this day from Fort S^{t}. David. 29

Riseing Sun Smack arrived from Ditto. –

Ship Idooree arrived in this road from Pegue, Meroo Sidoo Hussain Noquedah. MARCH 2^{D}

Ship Chindadree Cap^{t}. Fell Comānder arrived in this Road from Manilha. 5

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 4TH

THOMAS PITT ESQR. Governour and President.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Accounts Cash for the month of February last Ballc. Pags. 2,725 : 25 : 5.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for the month of February last and payes into the Rt.Honble. United Companys Cash Three hundred Ninety Seven Pags. twenty five Fanams for Custom on Gold coined, and farther payes to the Warehousekeeper Nine hundred sixty two Rupees 8 annas for Custom on Silver coined.

Whereas Serjeant High[ward] has served as a Serjeant for severall yeares at Vizagapatam during which time he has behaved himself faithfull and dilligent in yt. Employ, in so much that for his incouragement the Cheif and Council there have severall times wrott us in his behalfe, and requested that he be made an Ensign which we now grant and order that the Secretary draws him out a Commission accordingly to commence from the first of next month.

Capt. Heron this day presented a Petition desireing leave to build a small house at the Mount which is accordingly granted and his Petition Entered after this Consultation.

There being five Deserters here from Fort St. David; ordered they be sent thither under a guard on ye. Riseing Sun Smack.

The Silver Mint being too small and out of repair as also the Match Godown in the Fort, 'tis ordered [that] Paymaster repairs the same with the advice and direction of the Governour.

Generall Letter from York Fort dated 12th. December now read, wherein they reiterate their request to pay their Bills that were lately Protested, and say that their necessitys were so great that had they not taken up [that] money they could neither have dispatch'd the Carlton nor subsisted the Company's Forts nor Factorys.

Ordered that the Paymaster payes Mr. Juxon 20 Pagodas for a Monkey sent the Nabob.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper sends to Fort St. David two Chests of Clarret, and that the Sma[ck] and Yatch be dispatched thither forthwith to be returned loaden with the Companys Bales.

Agreed One thousand Pagods. be advanced Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Ponagetto Narso, &ca Tabacco and Beetle ffarmers pays into the Honble. Compas. Cash ffive hundred eighty three Pags. twelve fanams on that Account.

Mr. Richard Hunt Accomptant reads the Journll. Parcells of Accounts for the month of December.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD: HUNT.

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To the Honble. Thomas Pitt Esqr.
President for Affairs of the Rt. Honble.
United English East India Compa.
on the Coast of Choromandell &
Governr. [of] Fort St. George, &ca
Council.

Srs.

Being at present indisposed in my health, and having formerly experienced the benefit of the Air at St. Thomas Mount, crave your Honrs. &ca. leave to build me a small house there to retire to as my health requires with submission am.

Honble. Srs. &ca
Your most Obedient humble.
Servant

Fort St. George

26th Febry. $170\frac{7}{8}$

George Heron.

Maddapallam Yatch and Riseing Sun Smack both sailed this day for Fort St. David. 6

Ship Meera Madud sailed for Corricall.

Callcutta Sloop Richard Collins Master arrived in this Road from Bengall. 8

Ship Rahamoodoo Bux arrived in this road from Ganjam Mahomud Cawn Noquedah.

Ship Idooree belonging to Auga Muckeem sailed for Bengall. 11

At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governr. and President. Friday 12th

William Martin. Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. Richard Hunt.

Narrain formerly complaining of the trouble he had by renting the New Towns, and offered Three hundred Pagodas to be discharged from the same, and now the Governour being offered a farr more advantage Rente sent for Narrain to know whether he was willing to quitt his Lease, who readily consented thereto, and that we may take it into our hands again at the end of this year, which is the first of July next, and this morning being called into Counsell he confirmed the same, when we immediatly agreed with Pedde Tombee Tonapau Chittee, Collaway Chittee and Vinkettee Chittee.

[Ordered] to Rent the same for twelve years to commence from the primo July next, and pay the Annual Rent of Seventeen Hundred and Fifty Pagodas Currant of Madrass, as alsoe the Cawn Goyhee Duty, and accordingly the Secretary is to draw them out a Lease as usuall.

The Honble. Mannagers wrott us when they made the West Coast independant of this Place, that they had ordered them to send Duplicates hither of all their Generall Letters to them, which they never observed, till the arrivall of a Ship few dayes past from thence, from which order of the Companys we inferr that they would have us peruse such Duplicates and remitt them with our remarks thereon which induced us this day to open their Packet and read the same, resolving to remitt them to England by the first opportunity with our remarks thereon to the Companys advantage.

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M^r. Thomas Frederick Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of February last Viz^t.

Choultry Custom	Pag^s.	110:	10:	0
Rubie Brokers	,,	9:	21:	3
Town Brokers	,,	33:	22:	0
Registring Slaves	,,	0:	24:	0
	Pag^s.	154:	5:	3

and payes into the Hon^ble. Companys Cash Two hundred Pagod^s. on Account Land Custom.

Peter de Pomera &c^a. Arrack Farmer payes into the Hon^ble. Companys Cash Four hundred Pagod^s. on Acco^t. his Arrack Farmes.

The Governours Letter to the Lord High Steward of King Shaw Allums household now read, and is as Entered into the Country Letter Booke.

Generall Letter from the Council for the United Affairs in Bengall dated p^mo. February now read.

M^r. Richard Hunt Storekeeper reads his Storekeep^rs. Account for the month of February last.

The Accomptant reads the Journall Parcells of Accounts for the month of January last.

Ordered that the Warehousekeepers unloads the three hundred baggs of Peter now come on the Hopewell.

Petition of the Deserters from Fort S^t. David now read, and ordered to be sent to the Dep^ty: Governour and Council there.

Petition of Faukerlee Cawn Vackeel read, ordered the Secretary reads the same to the widdow Holcombe, and take her answere thereto, and report the same to this Board.

Agreed Five hundred Pagodas be advanced M^r. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

The Serang of Collaway Chittees Ship at Quodah arriving here from Porto Novo whilst in Counsell, gives an Acco^t. of said Ship being seiz'd there by y^e. Government, Agreed to write to Fort S^t. David to send Vessells from thence to Porto Novo, to lye off that Port to seize what [ships] are coming there belonging to Mahomud Tyre.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICH^D. HUNT.

12 Ship Hopewell Capt. Sandys arrived from Bengall.
13 Briggantine Endeavour Robert Vickers Mast^r. arrived from Bengall.
15 Ship Dorothy Cap^t. Powney Com̃^r. arrived from Pegue.
16 Sloop S^t. Jee came from Rackan Arresingoo Noquedah.
17 Ship Kent Cap^t. Edward Harrison Comand^r. arrived in this Road from China.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 18^TH

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERN^R. AND PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT ROWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Ordered that the Gold now come on the Kent, the Warehousekeepers weighs it to the Mintmaster in the presence of the SupraCargoes, and that the latter keeps it under their Charge till assays are made, and that all Goods are received in by weight.

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Mr. William Martin Sea Customer payes Cash One Thousand Pagodas on Account Sea Custom.

Agreed Five hundred Pagods. be advanced Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Vizagapatam Boatmen desireing to be discharged, agreed the same be granted them and that 3 yards of Aurora be given to the Cheif of them.

The Warehousekeepers report that there is Five thousand three hundred and Fifty baggs of Petre in the Warehouse, and more expected by the Hanover, agreed to write to Bengall that the Freight no more hither, but what they have an opportunity to send on the Companys ships and Vessells.

THO : PITT.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.
RICHD. HUNT.

Ship Sweepsteaks Capt. Weoley Comr. arrived from Pegue. 19
Ship Chindadree Mall Cawn Owner arrived from Pegue. 21
Ship Degraft Tittes Oates sailed for Bgall. 23
Queen Anne Ketch sail'd for Narsapore.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. AND PRESIDENT. THURSDAY 25TH

WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

At a Consultation the 18th. Instant the Secretary laying before us some Consultations to be signed amongst which was that of the 10th. of February last which 'twas agreed that Mr. Roach should be made Lieutenant of Second Company of Souldiers in this Garrison to which Mr. Frederick (who marryed Captain Seatons Daughter in Law) excepted against it, alledging that Roach came out of France without leave, and therefore was lyable to Acts of Parliament that made it capitall, which exception he Entering in the Consultation with his name, which the Governor knew nothing of till after rising of the Council, and this day he proposed it to be read in Consultation, when he verily believes that what he has Entered is not the produce of his own brain, but the contrivance of a disaffected party that he caballs with, and we taking yt. exception to be not only a reflection upon the members of the Company who sent Roach out on their Ship, Mountegue, but also in the Generall and Council of Bombay who employed him in an Eminant Post there, from whence and from all places where he had been he brought hither a good Character, and has maintain'd it by his good deportment to this day ; besides we can't but think it a severe reflection on us the Governour and Council here, that we should not be thought by Mr. Frederick to be better judges of those matters then himself, and that he should be the only Person amongst us that is fitt to judge of men and their capacity when 'tis notoriously known by all in the place, that profound ignorance and Pride, are his only qualifications, and considering of this exception aim's not only at taking away a mans livelyhood but live alsoe, We unanimously agreed that Mr. Roach has Copy of the exception under Secretary's hand to make his answere thereto next Consultation day.

Upon Mr. Fredericks sliding in this unaccountable exception against Mr. Roach, 'tis agreed for the future that noe exception be made in any Consultation of Generall Letter, but what shall be first produced in Paper, and Debated in Counsell and when afterwards if the person that offers it is not convinced by argument, but insist upon his exception that [then] he shall have leave to Enter it, and not otherwayes.

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Agreed the Goods brought upon the Kent from China be sold at Publick Outcry on Monday the 12th. April, and if any Person or Persons will buy any part or the whole by private Contract that they make their proposalls for the same to the Govern r. and the Warehousekeeper to signifie it by Notes put on the severall Gates of the Town in all Languages.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David dated 19th. Instant now read.

Messrs. Martin and Raworth Warehousekeepers read their Warehousekeepers Account for the month of February last.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of February last Vizt.

Custom on Goods Imported and Exported this month ..	5,588 : 5 : 2
Custom on Grain	1,138 : 24 : 3
Anchorage	40 : 18 : 0
	6,767 : 11 : 5

and payes into the Rt. Honble. Companys Cash One thousand Pagodas on that Account.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
RICHD. HUNT.

25 Ship Bomrapau arrived in this road from Pegue.

27 Ship Prosperous Henry Griffith owner arrived from Tenassaree.

28 Ship Good Fortune Frank Holt arrived here from Pegue.

— Ship St. Joan-de Canterbury Coja Ignatius Noquedah arrived in this road from Manilha.

29 Ship Massea Issa Cooley Noquedah arrived in this road from Pegue.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 29TH

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

The Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David having wrott us that they were apprehensive that Dowed Cawn as he returned from the Southward [would] stop at their Place ; therefore desired we would send them what rarietys we had of China to make up a Present for him, upon which 'tis agreed 25 peices of silk of proper Colours be sent them overland, and that as many more are kept out of the Sale for Presents if there be occasion.

The Company receiving a Brokarage on all Elephants sold, which formerly was pay'd by the buyers who generally are Kings, Princes, Nabobs, Duans, and Buxes, or at least couched under their names wn. we find it very difficult to get it pay'd, and it has often occasioned disputes, which some time or other may be of dangerous consequence to the Companys affairs, 'tis therefore ordered that it be a standing order for the future that the seller of the Elephants pays the Companys and Watchmans Dutys, and this order to be sent to the Land Customer under the Secretarys hand to observe the same.

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Mr. Stoakes delivered in a Petition this day as Entered after this Consultation, desireing that we would countenance him with the Companys Protection at Pegue where he designs to reside some time, Agreed the same be granted upon the Termes of his Petition.

Mr. Horden who we gave leave to come hither from Vizagapatam for recovery of his health, having hitherto behaved himself very well and deserving, giving us hopes thereby that he will make a sensible and faithfull servt. to the Company; 'Tis therefore agreed that on his returne to Vizagapatam he be forth of Council and Secretary.

Mr. Hiller being wholy unserviceable to the Company and has ever been soe, not only from the imbecillity of the body, but mind likewise, and thinking it a great hardship to the Company that they should continue his salary, Dyett money &ca., which is very considerable ℔ Annum, 'Tis therefore agreed that in consideration he's poor his Dyet money be continued to him, but no salary or any other allowance from the 25th. Instant, and this to be observed till the Companys farther pleasure be known therein.

Mr. Roach appeared before us this day in Consultation saying that he had considered of Mr. Frederick heavy charge against him, desireing that he might have common justice done him, and that we would order Mr. Frederick to prove what he had given under his hand upon which he withdrew, when the Governour told Mr. Frederick that what Mr. Roach had desired could not be denyed him, therefore 'twas but reasonable and just, that he proceed to the proof of what he had charged him with, upon which Mr. Frederick answered as he does in all other weighty affairs, yt. he expected Mr. Roach should clear himself in prooving he was not guilty of what he accused him, until which he had such an answere as so weak a proposition deserved; and desired to withdraw, when we debated the matter, and considering that here was noe less then a Persons, Life, Livelyhood, and Reputation concerned, we unanimously agreed yt. Mr. Frederick should prove what he had charged Mr. Roach with, or recan't it under his hand, wm. we called in and acquainted him therewith, who desired time to consider of the same.

Ordered that Jacob Peterson be Entertaind one of the Gunners Crew, and Verole discharged.

Ordered that the Accomptant drawes out the Account of the last halfe years salary due to Honble. Companys Factors of this Place.

Tho: Pitt.
W: Martin.
Robt. Raworth.
Richd. Hunt.

Ship Dona Latchemy came from Pegue Rama Chindre Noquedah. 30
Ship Freindship arrived in this road from Jaffnapatm. —
Ship St. Lawrence sail'd for Bengall Coja Ovan is Noquedah. —
Ship Bone Ventura sailed for Bengall. —
Ship Hopewell Capt. Sandys sailed for Bengall. —
Ship Je Latchmy sailed for Bengall. —

At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour & President. Wednesday 31st

William Martin. Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. Richard Hunt.

The Kent arriving not here till the 17th. Instant, we looke upon it very improbable that she can save her Passage about the Cape, for that it must be the begining of April before we can unload and dispatch her, when we are apprehensive

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two very great inconveniencys and Risgoes will attend her, First That by going late they generally meet with bad weather, and Dammage most or all their Cargoe, Secondly That if she looses her Passage, and is obliged to goe to Maurotius, she runs the risgoe of falling into the hands of the ffrench, who may chance to think of looking into that Port which reasons makes us inclinable to Lett the Ship out to Freight for China, expecting she will be back soon enough to be dispatch'd for England in February not doubting but ships may offer in October to carry Home the Tea; soe the Inhabitants beleiving that we would Lett out the Ship for China Messrs: Gulston Addison and Edward Fleetwood was before us this day in Consultation, who made proposalls for the hyreing the Ship to Freight from hence to Canton in China, and so back to this Port, with whom after some debate the ffreight was agreed for Seven thousand Pagods. but we differed upon their dispatching her in China, or paying Demorage for what time she stayed longer, we requiring she should be dispatch'd by the ffifteenth of December, and they insisting upon the first of January, on which not agreeing, they were desired to consider of it, and give their answere in Consultation tomorrow.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
[*Lacuna*].
RICHD. HUNT.

TO THE HONBLE. THOMAS PITT ESQR. PRESIDENT FOR AFFAIRS OF THE RT. HONBLE. UNITED ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPANY ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL & GOVERNR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CA. COUNCILL.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

I having formerly been at Syria in the Kingdom of Pegue, am desireous of returning thither to reside for some time. And as the Honble. Company have priviledges there, which they don't enjoy at present, and as I am informed are Invited to resettle a Factory there by that King, I humbly desire of your Honr: &ca. that I may have the liberty to remain there under the notice of a Companys servant; That I will oblige myself to be no way chargeable to the Company thereby, and to return whenever your Honr. &ca. shall think fitt to recall me, farther desireing that the Honble. President will Honr. me with his Letter to that King, therein mentioning upon what account I settle there, all which shall be acknowledged as very great obligations done to.

Honble. Sr.
Yor. most obedt. humble.
Servt.
ROBERT STOKES.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
29TH MARCH 1708.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

APRIL THURSDAY PM.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Messrs. Addison and Fleetwood were before us this day again, who told us they had considered of the time for the dispatching of the Kent from China, and feared they could not comply with what we required, but at last 'twas agreed that they should dispatch her to all intents and purposes by the Twentyeth of December next

for this Port, but desired that this agreement for the ffreighting of the Ship might not be conclusive till they had made a tryall whether they could raise stock to bear the charge of so great a Freight; to which they would give their answere in few day's.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD: HUNT.

Ship Hanover Capt. Cradock arrived from Bengall.	2
Callicutta Sloop Collins Master sailed for Bengall.	4
Danes Sloop arrived from Trincombar.	5
Ship Prosperous Capt. Ridgley Comr. arrived from Surat.	6
Ship Mary Capt. Barrow arrived from Bengall.	—
Ship Sta. Cruz belonging to Armenians arrived frō Mahi.	7
Ship Essex Capt. French arrived from Goa.	12
Hierusalem Galliote belonging to Senhr. Constantine arrived from Atcheen.	—
Briggantine Endeavour sailed for Bengall.	—
Ship Dolben Capt. Butcher Comr. arrived from Surat.	—
Ship Charlton Capt. Oldham Comr. arrived from Pegue.	13
Ship Pekaninna Capt. Barefoot arrived from Pegue.	14

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 15TH

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. & PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

The Governour acquaints the Council that the Govr. of Trincombar had wrott him to buy the China Sugar which this day he proposed to doe at Twelve Pagodas ℘ Candy being the highest price, and to pay ready money which if sold at outcry must allow time, so 'twas agreed the Governour should have it, and Ordered the Warehousekeepers to weigh it off: 'Tis allso agreed that Forty Candy of Sugar Candy be sold to the Governour for Account of the Danes, and pay for it as the remainder sells at Outcry.

We being very considerable Indebted to our Merchts. agreed they are payd this day Thirty five thousand Pagodas, and being likewise very much Indebted to the Fort St. David Merchants, Agreed that they are forthwith pay'd Twentyfive thousand Pagodas.

There having been in the month of November Two thousand Pagodas Lent the Company by Mr. Empson which appearing to be the money of Messrs. Richard Hunt, and Edward Fleetwood, Agreed the same be pay'd with the Interest thereon.

This day Mr. Frederick delivered in a Paper relating to his accusation of Mr. Roach, as is Entered after this Consultation, the purport thereof being to evade any proof of what he charged him with, which we can't think consonant to the Companys orders in such Cases, Tis true where any one differs in Counsell in any matters relating to the Companys Affairs, and makes his Exception in generall termes 'tis alwayes left to the Company to be judges whether such exceptions are materiall or otherway's, or grounded upon a true Zeal for their service, or threw Faction or want of capacity to Judge better. But this chargeing a particular Person with a capitall crime we can't think but that he's obliged to prove the same before this Board, that soe the persons injured may have reperation, which Mr. Frederick being prest to by the Governour and all the Councill, he at last say'd that Ensign Dixon had told him what he had charged Mr. Roach with, who being immediatly sent for excused coming

being very sick, so the examination of this matter referred to another time. But we must not omitt observing what tampering there has been to sett up one officer against another, and doubt not but the Company will consider of the ill consequence thereof, and think such Persons ill deserving their service for the future.

Thomas Pitt Esq^r^. President reads his account of the R^t^. Hon^ble^. United Companys Cash for the month of March last Ballance Pagod^s^. 2,306 : 26 : 5.

Thomas Pitt Esq^r^. Mintmaster reads his Mint Acco^t^. for the month of March last, and payes into Cash Three hundred Ninety six Pag^s^. 13^fa^: 3^ca^. for Custom on Gold coined.

Ponagetto Narso &c^a^. Tobacco and Beetle ffarmers payes into Cash Five hundred eighty three Pag^s^. 12^fa^. on that account.

Thomas Pitt Esq^r^. Mintmaster payes into Cash the sum̃ of sixty six thousand one hundred seventy six Pagod^s^. 32^fa^: 40^ca^. being the produce of Gold coined received ℔ Ship Kent.

M^r^. William Martin Sea Customer payes into Cash Two thousand Pagod^s^. on Acco^t^. Sea Custom.

M^r^. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the month of March last Viz^t^.

Charges Garrison	1,203 : 6 : –
Charges Cattle	37 : 1 : –
Charges Generall	278 : 23 : –
Charges Dyet	296 : 27 : –
Provisions for the Garrison	116 : 34 : –
ffortifications & Repairs	228 : 8 : –
Charges Extraord^ry^.	10 : 30 : –
Presents	106 : 5 : –
Pag^s^.	2,277 : 26 : –

Agreed One thousand Pagod^s^. be advanced him to defray Charges Garrison.

M^r^. Thomas Frederick Land Customer reads his Land Custom Acco^t^. for March last Viz^t^.

Choultry Custom	230 : 1 : 2
Rubie Brokers	4 : 20 : 4
Town Brokers	8 : 33 : –
Grass Cutters	2 : 9 : 4
Registring Slaves	– : 24 : –
	246 : 16 : 4

and payes into Cash Two hundred Pagod^s^. on y^t^. Account.

M^r^. Hunt produces the Account Salary for half a year ending 25 March last amounting to Pag^s^. 137425. Agreed the same be pay'd.

Agreed one hundred Pagod^s^. be sent to M^r^. Noden at Metchlepatam to pay the Ballance of his Account and defray the Charges of the Factory.

Tho: Pitt.
W : Martin.
Rob^r^. Raworth.
Rich^d^. Hunt.

To the Hon^ble^. Thomas Pitt Esq^r^.
Govern^r^. and President of Fort S^t^. George &c^a^. Council.

S^rs^.

The Exception made by me to that Consultation which Ordered M^r^. John Roach a Commission I (with submission) beleive it agreeable to the liberty given by the R^t^. Hon^ble^. Company to their Council, which allow their making exceptions to such

orders as they do not approve of, or consent too, and they have declared they will be judges whether there was reason for such exception or not. And it will appear reference being had to the Consultation Bookes that severall Persons known to some of this board, when they have dissented from the whole Consultation, or any single resolution or order in the same, they have Entered their exceptions when they signed said Consultation, but I never heard, they were obliged to prove the matter contained therein to this board.

Your humble Servant
THOMAS FREDERICK.

Ship Success Capt. Gayer Comr. arrived in this Road from Suratt. 16

Ship Meera Maudat Emirah Noquedah arrived from Quodah. 18

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. AND PRESIDT. — MONDAY 19TH

WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

This day the China cargoe being to be sold at Outcry.

Agreed that the Copper be not sold under Fifty Pags: ₱ Candy, and the Governour and Council attend the same.

The Cheif of the Right and Left hand Cast being before us this day, acquainted us that they had settled all matters between them about exchange of their houses, so we ordered them that they should forthwith see that all Persons remove to the Houses appointed them, which they promised to do on the first good Day, which would not bee till the 21st. Instant.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
R: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD: HUNT.

Ship Chindadree arrived from Juncksalone. 20

Ship Nos Senhra de Paina belonging to the Portuguez sailed for Mochow. 22

Sloop Maria arrived here from Trincombarr. 24

Briggantine [*Lacuna*] Capt. Watham arrived from Anjengo.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT, ESQR. GOVERNR. AND PRESIDENT. — SATTURDAY 24TH

WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of March last Vizt.

Custom on Goods Imported and Exported this Month	3,326 : 10 : 4
Custom on Grain	170 : 2 . –
Anchorage	68 : 18 : –
Pags.	3,564 : 30 : 4

and payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash One Thousand Pagodas on Accot. Sea Customs.

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—— FORT ST. GEORGE, APRIL 1708 ——

Mr. Richard Hunt Storekeeper reads his storekeeprs. Account for the month of March last.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David dated 20th. Instant now read, advising their having drawn a Bill of Exchge. on us for Eleven thousand three hundred sixty eight Pagods. 28fa : 8ca. which is now agreed to be pay'd.

The Bookes belonging to Ship Kents China Voyage were now delivered to Mr. Hunt Accomptant to Examine and report the same.

Agreed that Five hundred Pagodas be advanced Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

THO : PITT.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.
RICHD. HUNT.

26 Ship Unity Captain Greenhaugh Comander arrived in this Road from Tutecareen.

28 Ship Maddapollem Auga Jaffeer Noquedah sailed for Pegue.

29 Sloop St. Joan arrived in this Road from Surat.

30 Ship Dansburgh belonging to the Danes arrived in this Road from Trincombar.

– The Riseing Sun Smack arrived from Fort St. David.

– The Maddapollam Yatch arrived from Dittoo.

[MAY] 2 Ship Nos Senhra. de Remeda arrived from Syam. Senhr. John Domingos.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 4TH

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBT. RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Copper not selling here to any advantage as appears by the tryall we made at Outcry the 19th. past month, Tis agreed that we send One hundred Candy of Japan Copper to Bengall on the Success Capt. Gayer Comr. that usually being the best market for it, and we being Indebted here to our Merchants, Tis agreed yt. we send it on the following termes; That it goes consigned to the Council there for Account and Risgoe of the United Company, Invoiced at Fifty Pagodas ℘ Candy, and that we draw upon them for the Amot. thereof being Five thousand Pagods. for Madrass Rupees three hundred thirty six for one hundred Pagodas that the Copper be delivered freight free, and the Risgoe to Capt. Gayer to be no other wayes then if it were in Rupees, and accordingly a Paper to be affixed to the Bill of Exchange, and is as Entered after this Consultation.

Capt. Harrison being bound to China desires we would spare him Ten Mustur Souldiers and a Corporall, wch. is agreed too, he giving them their pay & Provissions.

Here being likely to be great vicissitudes in the Government, which at present is very unsettled and it being a Custom time out of mind that Princes, and their officers must be Presented on their first coming to the Government in order to procure a confirmation of Phirmaunds and Perwannas Granted by their Predecessors; and to buy Presents just as we want them we find it to be very chargeable, therefore considering here's a Company Ship going to China, we agree to send Thirty Bales of Longcloth ordinary No. 3 to be disposed of at Mallacca the produce thereof to be

carryed to China, consigning it to Capt. Harrison &ca. Supra-Cargoe to buy such rarietys of which we give them a List, and is as Entered after this Consultation as also our Instructions.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his acoount of the Rt. Honble. Companys Cash for the month of April last Ballance Pagods. 5,753 : 13 : 4.

Agreed to pay off Mr. George Lewes, Collaway Chittee and Henry Davenports Bonds at Interest.

Mr. Richard Hunt Rentall Generall pay's into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash One Thousand Pagods. Account Quitt Rents for the year 1705.

Agreed one thousand Pagods. be advanced Mr. Robt. Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Peter de Pomera &ca. Arrac Farmer pays into Cash Five hundred Pagods. on that Account.

THO : PITT.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDFRICK.
RICHD. HUNT.

TO CAPT. EDWARD HARRISON.
&CA. SUPRA CARGOES OF SHIP KENT.

We beleiving we shall have great occasion for some Raritys of China for Presents, but the Compa. having noe Silver by them, we have therefore Loaded on you Thirty Bales of Longcloth ordinary which Amounts to as ℔ Invoice delivered you to Pagodas [*Lacuna*] which we desire you will dispose of at Mallacca, and procure for the produce thereof Dollars or any Commoditys vendible in China, where we desire you to buy for the Companys Accot. the severall Rarietys as ℔ List delivered you, and if the produce of the aforesaid Longcloth falls short of being enough to buy what we direct, we then desire you to add Four or ffive hundred Pagodas more, and we will pay you for the same as you shall make on your Gold, and if you meet with any thing there you think is fit for Presents buy it thô not inserted in the List, and if you can pray incourage some Chinese to come hither that are very Dexterous at Lackering, and guilding, or any other handicrafts that you think may be of use to the place we are.

FORT ST. GEORGE
4TH MAY 1708.

Srs.
Your Affectionate Freinds
THOMAS PITT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

LIST of Sundrys to be provided in China for Account of the Rt. Honble. United Company Vizt.

Velvetts strip'd }
Silks Ditto } Lively Colours.

Two handsome counterpoints wrought wth. Silver and Gold.

Two or three peices of Velvetts, wrought wth. Silver & Gold lively Colours.

4 Raryshows and 4 Juncks.

Six Glass Lanthorns the best sort.

Six Japan Inkhorns with partitions for spices.

Six Japan Banderas.

Six Beetle Boxes Japan.

Twelve large Fine China or Japan Dishes.

Six Dozen of Plates.

One Ostow and Cheelinjee Phillagreen work.

Two Beetle Boxes Ditto.

Four Rosewater bottles Ditto.

One hundred weight of Large China Root of a Red Colour free frõ worme.

Six Summittees and six Lances of Japan.

Fine Paper made of silk on which the people here write Charmes.

You must remember the above said things not to have the shapes of men, nor other Living Creatures on them.

Whereas we the President and Council of Fort S^t^. George for Affairs of the R^t^. Hon^ble^. United English East India Company have drawn a Bill on the Worshipfull Council for Affairs of the United Trade in Bengall for the sum of sixteen thousand eight hundred Madrass Rupees, payable to Cap^t^. Gayer Comander of Ship Success, or order, upon the arrivall of said Ship at Fort William in Bengall, and on her delivery of One hundred Candy of Japan Copper, consigned to the said Council, Loaden ffreight free, but in case of any misfortune to the Ship (which God forbid) and that her Treasure be saved that then nevertheless the Bill is to be complyed with; to this Agreement we the President and Council of Fort S^t^. George on the one part, and the said Captain the other part have interchangeably sett out this sixth day of May 1708.

6th. Danes Sloop saild this day for Trincombar.

8. Ship Success Captain Gayer Comand^r^. saild for Bengall.

– Ship Dolben Cap^t^. Butcher Com^r^. saild for Bengall.

– Danes Sloop Saild for Trincombar.

9. Sloop S^t^. Joan saild for Bengall.

10. M^r^. Thomas Wigmore Senh^r^. Merchant in the R^t^. Hon^ble^. United Companys Service about Ten a Clock this morning departed this Life.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday 10th.

Thomas Pitt Esq^r^. Govern^r^. and President.

William Martin. Rob^t^. Raworth.

Thomas Frederick. Richard Hunt.

Here being a small Vessell of the Companys called the Fly of little service, so agreed she be sold to M^r^. Stoakes for Seventy Pagodas.

Cap^t^. Harrison delivers in a Petition for his Charterparty money, which is Entered after this Consultation, Agreed the same be pay'd him, as the Company ordered in their last Generall Letter computing 5^s^ the Dollar and 9^s^ the Pagoda Amounting to Pagod^s^. 583 : 12.

Agreed that the Riseing Sun Smack and Maddapollam Yatch be forthwith returned to Fort S^t^. David to fetch Bales.

Agreed to send Five thousand Pagodas to Vizagapatam on Ship Chindadree with twenty five Candy of Japan Copper.

This day was signed the Lease for the Three New Towns to Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees.

Mess^rs^. Martin and Raworth Warehousekeepers reads their Warehouse Account for the mo^th^. of March.

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Instructions to Mr. Stoakes for his settling at Pegue, now read, and Entered after this Consultation.

Agreed One Thousand Pagods. be advanced Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

The Agreement for the Freightment of Ship Kent to China, now read and signed and is as Entered after this Consultation.

Laurance Mauoe of the Gunrs. Crew requesting his discharge, agreed the same be Granted him.

Capt. Harrison in his Petition requests that what Goods he has brought from China intended for England that he has liberty to Land the same Custom free, Agreed it be granted him.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROBr. RAWORTH.
THO. FREDERICK.
RICHD. HUNT.

TO THE HONBLE. THOMAS PITT ESQR.
PRESIDENT &CA. COUNCIL IN FORT ST. GEORGE.

Srs.

According to Agreement in Charterparty I pray to be supplyed with One Thousand and Fifty Dollars for the use of the Ship Kent.

And having Landed severall Goods here intended for England at my returne from China, that would pester the Ship in this her intended Voyage, I entreat the favour that they may be excused paying Custom and am

Honble. &ca.
Yor. most humble. Servt.
MAY 10TH. 1708. E. HARRISON.

INSTRUCTIONS to MR. ROBERT STOAKES in ORDER TO HIS SETTLING AT PEGUE.

You having by your Petition Dated 29th. March 1708, requested our countenance and assistance in your design of settling at Pegue (which place is under the Direction of this Presidency) of which having duely considered we hereby grant, and order you to Act in the ffollowing manner.

First on your arrivall at Pegue you give the Governrs. Letter with your Present to the Prince of Syrian, and acquaint him that you have Letters for the King and Primere Minister, as also Presents, and desire his advice how they may be forwarded to Ava, which Presents must be all given in the Honble. Companys name, thô' at your own Charge.

Secondly. That whereas the Company have a peice of Ground at Syrian, and a small House upon it, wch. we hereby Impower you to take possession of, and thereon build such Houses as shall be most convenient for your accommodation, but at no manner of Charge to the Company, on which house you may hoist St. Georges Flag, and hereby order to acquaint all English that come there, that they presume not to hoist any fflag on the shore.

Thirdly. The Company having great priviledges in that Country of which we desire you to informe yourself, and afterwards to use your utmost endeavours, and advice, and also assist all others to preserve the same.

Fourthly. We must not omitt to advise you to avoid all manner of disputes with the Government, especially so as to bring it to a rupture between you and matters in such confusion as was lately at Atcheen, for if the Government be unjust to you, or that any English do any Action dishonourable to the Nation, or prejudiciall to the Company's affairs, do not you proceed any farther against them then by,

a fair representation of your case, and a demonstration of their injustice, and to our own People give them due warning and freindly admonishments and if that do's not prevail, lay all before us, and wait our orders for your further proceedings. We wish you good success in your undertaking, and again recommend to you the intire preservation of the Companys priviledges, which you have promissed shall be done without any Charge to them. Dated in Fort S^{t}. George 10th. May 1708.

THOMAS PITT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

CONTRACT and AGREEMENT by and between the Hon^{ble}. the President and Council of Fort S^{t}. George for Account of the R^{t}. Hon^{ble}. United English East India Company and Gulston Addison and Edward Fleetwood &c^{a}. ffreighters for the Freightment of Ship Kent Burthen Three hundred and ffifty Tons, or thereabouts Edward Harrison Comãnder now riding in the Road of Madrass, according to the Charterparty made between the Hon^{ble}. Managers for Affairs of the R^{t}. Hon^{ble}. United English East India Company and her Owners in England dated the Twenty seventh day of September One thousand seven hundred and six, which said Charterparty with and every its Tonnage, Priviledges under obligations, we the said President and Council do assign and make over unto the said Gulston Addison, Edward Fleetwood &c^{a}. ffreighters to have the sole Lading and ffreightment thereof to the Port of Canton in China for the consideration and sum̃ of seven thousand Pagodas Current of Madrass to be pay'd by the said Gulston Addison, Edward Fleetwood &c^{a}. Freighters unto y^{e}. said President and Council or their Successors wthin thirty dayes after the next arrivall of the said Ship to this Port. Tis allso agreed that the said ffreighters are and shall be at all charges of measuring Presents &c^{a} that shall be demanded, or may happen during the said Voyage, and that she be dispatched from Canton in China by the Twentyeth day of December next ensuing the Date hereof, after which the Captain is at liberty to sail and make the best of his way for this Port. In Wittnesse whereof we the President and Council for Account and in behalf of the R^{t}. Hon^{ble}. United English East India Company do hereby oblige ourselves on the one part, and Gulston Addison and Edward Fleetwood for themselves and in behalf of the ffreighters of the said Ship on the other part having hereunto interchangeably sett our hands and Seals at Fort S^{t}. George in the City of Madrass this Tenth day of May 1708.

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the presence of us where no stamp'd Paper to be had.

HEN: DAVENPORT *Sec^{ry}.*
ABEL LANGELIER

GULSTON ADDISON.
EDWARD FLEETWOOD.

11 Ship Prosperous Cap^{t}. Ridgley Comãnder sail'd out of this Road for Pegue.
13 Ship Chindadre Cap^{t}. Bell Comand^{r}. saild for Bengall.
— Ship Good Fortune Francis Holt saild for Pegue.
— Ship Unity M^{r}. Stoakes saild for Pegue.
— Ship Francis belonging to Ditto saild for Pegue.
— Ship Dansburgh saild for Pollicat.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1708——

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. & PRESIDENT. MONDAY 17TH
WILLIAM MARTIN ROBT. RAWORTH
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

We hoping that the Kent will returne early enough to be dispatch'd in Season for England, but not being able to foresee what impediments they may meet with in their negotiation, so to prevent being detained longer then what limited in the Contract with them, we agree to write a Letter to the Supra Cargo's or Comander of any ship in the United Companys service that they shall meet with in yt. Port, and bound hither, that provided the Kent leave them in Port, and a Supra Cargoe of theirs with any stock behind them, that they shall be at liberty to come on such Ship hither, and bring what Treasure they leave behind freight free which Letter is as Entered after this Consultation.

It having been practiced within these two months more then formerly the Traversing of Goods in this Road, from which we perceive if continued that the Companys Revenues will be very much lessen'd, for as most of the Goods that are imported here, are again exported to the Northward or Southward of us on this Coast, none of which Goods will hardly ever be Landed, but Traversed on board Ships and Boats, and some of them Landed very near us which are vendible Inland, for that our neighbour who look upon this Port with an envious Eye, will compound with the Owners of the Goods for one ℔ cent rather then nothing, and the Merchants will bee induced to do it, by saving one and a halfe ℔ Cent, Soe to prevent this Visible Loss to the Company, Tis agreed that noe more Goods be Traversed in this Road without Payment of the full Custom of Five ℔ Cent then neither without first acquainting the Custom who is to order an officer to goe off to see it done, and take a perfect account thereof, and if any one shall be found Traversing Goods, without leave as before mentioned, such Goods shall be forfeited to all [intents] and purposes Vizt. One Third to the informer, one third to the Company and one third to the Poor.

And if any Inhabitant of this Place shall be found tricking in ordering their Ships or Vessells to any Port near this, whither they shall send [boats] or Vessells to unload the Goods and send them to other ports to evade paying the Companys Customs, they shall be deem'd by the Government as Enemys to the Company and their Interest.

Ponagetto Narso &ca. Tobacco and Beetle ffarmers payes into Cash Five hundred Eighty three Pagodas twelve fans. on that Accot.

Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster pay's into Cash seventy Pagods. for the Fly.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Accot. for the month of April last, and payes into the Honble. Companys Cash Five hundred thirty six Pagods. 15 fas. for Custom on Gold coined, and farther payes to the Warehousekeepers Rupees six thousand one hundred thirty four and six annas for Custom on Silver coined.

The President payes into Cash Two hundred sixty four Pagodas 7fas. being for oz. 384 of broaken and batterd Plate used in allay sold for $16\frac{1}{2}$ Dolls. for 10 Pags.

Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Accot. for the month of April last Vizt. :—

Charges Garrison	1,119 :	4
Charges Cattle	56 :	9
Charges Extraordry.	17 :	19
Charges Generall	302 :	23
Dyet and Stores	494 :	2
ffactors Provisions	280 :	—
ffort St. David	40 :	—
ffortifications and Repairs	191 :	—
	Pa. 2,500 :	21

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Chuccla Pera of Metchlepat[m]. pay's into Cash Twenty five Pagod[s]. for his Debt.

M[r]. Thomas Frederick Land Customer pay's into Cash six hundred Pagod[s]. Acco[t]. Land Custom.

THO : PITT.
W : MARTIN.
ROB[T]. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.
RICH[D]. HUNT.

Lett[r] to the Supra Cargos is in page 68[1].

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 18[TH]

THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]. GOVERN[R]. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Agreed that David Marcus has one hundred Candy of Japan Copper, Loaded on his Ship S[ta]. Cruz bound to Bengall on the same termes that loaded on Ship Success as ℘ Consultation the 4[th]. Instant.

The Warehousekeepers deliver in an Account of wanting in weight of the Kents China Cargoe, the particulars as Entered after this Consultation, ordered that the Warehousekeepers delivers a copy thereof to Captain Harrison &c[a]. and demaind their answere thereto.

THO : PITT.
W : MARTIN.
ROB[T]. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.
RICH[D]. HUNT.

GOODS WANTING of the KENTS CARGOE from CHINA.

		lb
Copper Japan,	Pecull	34 : 59
Ditto Junan		18 : 64
		md lb
Sugar	Candy	8 : 2 : 21
Sugar Candy		1 : 14 : 2
China Root		3 : 5 : 23

Received more then Invoice.

		lb
Copper Tunqueen,	Pecull	15 : 45
Allum	Maund	18 : 1
Tutenague	„	3 : 16

18[TH] Ship Rammaswanna Hodjee Mahomud Noquedah sailed for Pegue.

19 Ship Sanjeevee Cap[t]. Tempest Com[r]. arrived from Atcheen.

21 Sloop Bone Voyages arrived from Fort S[t]. David.

— Ship Kent Cap[t]. Edward Harrison Com[r]. saild for China.

25 Ship S[ta]. Cruz Senh[r]. Johannes Noquedah saild for Bengall.

— Sloop Hierusalem sailed for Bengall.

26 Ship Izaree Sallamett sailed for Bengall.

[1] *Vide* page 29 *infra*. The page No. 68 refers to the original volume.

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1708* ——

Ship Anne Capt. Walton Comandr. arrived in this Road from York Fort, by whom received a Packet from the Cheif Governour and Council there dated [*Lacuna*]. 27

Ship Nos. Senhra. de Remeda saild for Mocow. —

To the Supra Cargoes or Comanders. of any Ship from England bound to China and Fort St. George belonging to the United Company.

Srs.

We having Lett out to ffreight the ship [Kent] and obliged the SupraCargoes to dispatch the Ship from Canton on or before the 20th. of December which they are very apprehensive will bee too soon for them to finish their business, so have agreed with them that if any Companys Ship from England comes to Canton bound to this Port, and stayes in China longer then the time beforementioned that then Capt. Harrison and Mr. Fleetwood are at liberty to leave one per[son] or more to take his passage upon such Ship, and bring with them their Treasure ffreight free, which we desire you to comply therewith it being a service to the Company. We are

Srs.

Fort St. George
17th. May 1708.

Your assured Friends & humble. Servts.

Thomas Pitt.
William Martin.
Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick
Richard Hunt.

At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour & President. — Thursday 27th

William Martin. Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. Richard Hunt.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer reads his Sea Customers Account for the month of April last Vizt.

Custom on Goods Imported and Export'd	Pa. 3306 : 6 : 3
Custom on Graine	26 : – : 5
Anchorage Duty	13 : – : 0
	Pags. 3345 : 7 : 2

and payes into cash the sum of Four thousand Pagods. on Account Sea Custom.

There not being money in Cash by reason of our sending ffive thousand Pagods. to Vizagapatam to the ffollowg. sums at Interest could not be pay'd till now—

Mr. George Lewes	Pags. 1000
Henry Davenport	8000
Collaway Chittee	4000

Messrs. Martin and Raworth payes into cash Fourteen thousand Pagods. Account Goods sold out of ye. Warehouse and also reads their Warehousekeepers Account for the month of April last.

Agreed Five thousand Pagods. be sent to Fort St. David overland.

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Mr. Thomas Frederick Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of April last.

Choultry Custom	Pags. 314 : 21 : 5
Rubie Broakers	248 : 27 : 1
Town Broakers	50 : 19 : 4
Registring Slaves	1 : 12 : –
	Pags. 615 : 8 : 4

and payes into Cash Four hundred Pagods. on Account Land Custom.

Mr. Richard Hunt Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers Account for the month of April last, and pays into Cash Three hundred Pagodas on Accot. Stores Sold.

Our Generall Bookes being alwayes Ballanced the ultimo April; Ordered that all Account Rema[ining] be brought in by the Warehousekeepers, Storekeepers, Steward &ca.

Capt. Harrison being very much indisposed some days before he went off shore, gave no answere to what wanting in weight to his China Cargoe, but [wrott] a Letter Ashore which is as Entered after ys. Consultation, Copy of which is agreed to be sent the Co[mpany] by the first Ship with our opinions thereon.

Generall Letter from the Governour and Councill of York Fort dated 29th. Janry. 1708 now read, received ℔ Ship Anne representing the misserable condition they are in, and this day the Owners of the said Ship presented a Bill of Exchange for Dollars 2675. 2. [sicca] which is agreed to be pay'd according to our Contract wth. them when we ffreighted on the said Ship thither.

The Casts being all settled, and weddings made in each street, Ordered the Paymaster and Gunner view the streets, and report the same in order to ffix stones in each street as Boundarys to each Casts precincts.

Agreed Five hundred Pagodas be advanced Mr. Robt. Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Agreed six months Two Conicoplys Duty be pay'd to Mannangapau.

Agreed one hundred Candy of Japan Copper or what more remains in the Warehouse sold to Vinkettee Chittee at Fifty two Pagods. the Candy 4 Pecull to the candy and one hundred thirty one pounds to the Pecull for one months trust.

The following Topasses were this day Entertained Souldiers, Ignatio Tinor, Lucas Capio, Peter de Cruz & Coffrey Ignatio.

THO : PITT.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO. FREDERICK.
RICHD. HUNT.

TO THE HONBLE. THOMAS PITT ESQR.
PRESIDENT &CA. COUNCIL.

Srs.

The Accot. of what is wanting in the Cargoe under our Management being delivered us but the day before yesterday, and Captain Harrison soe much out of order we had not time to reply before we left the shore, makes us give you this trouble from hence.

As for Japan Copper for many years we have not been able to procure more then 131lb. to the Pecull, and as for the remainder that is wanting if not imbezled here is owing to the goodness of those intrusted by yor. Honr. &ca. because Mr. Manning that was instructed on our part, and ordered to attend on that Service was often absent, for what reasons we can't tell but beleive he thought it a work beneath him, having more then once refused to go on the same service in China.

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We likewise observe that the Companys weight here are heavier then those we bring out of England, and in China we weigh with the same nicety as Gold.

As for the want of the Junan Copper and the over plus of the Tunqueen they ballance each other soe near that it is reasonable to beleive that part of one may have crept in among the other by lyeing loose together.

The want of Sugar can be no wonder being weighed in China Nett and put into dry Canesters, for which being moist and wett we suppose occasions yor. Honr. &ca. to allow so considerable a Tare here.

Sugar Candy will waste and China Root also decaying daily by the worme your Honr. &c.a know so well the China Trade that we willingly submit to yor. decession and hope a favourable representation to the Company of this matter We are

Your Honrs. &ca. most humble servants

ABOARD THE KENT
MAY THE 21ST 1708.

EDWD. HARRISON.
JOHN COOKE.
JOSA. COOKE.

Ship Essex Capt. Lanthorn sailed for Jehore. JUNE 2D

Sloop Sallamad sail'd for Ganjam. –

Ship Rammadoe Bux saild for Bengall Olidoud Cawn Noquedah. 3

Sloop Maddapollam and Riseing Sun Smack saild for Ft. St. David. 5

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. & PRESIDENT. THURSDAY 10TH

WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account Cash for the mouth of May last, Ballance Pags. 1385 : 17 : 4.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Accot. for the month of May last, and payes into the Honble. Companys Cash Three hundred and Ninety Pags. 22fas. for Custom on Gold Coined, and farther payes to the Warehousekeeper [. . . hundred] and Nineteen Rupees 8ans Customs on Silver coined.

Mr. Thomas Frederick Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of May last Vizt.

Choultry Custom	396 : 16 : 41
Rubie Brokers	138 : 24 : 65
Town Brokers	57 : 16 : 48
Registring Slaves	1 : 4 : –
	593 : 25 : 74

and payes into Cash Two hundred and fifty Pagods. on Accot. Land Customs.

Peter Pomera &ca. Arrac Farmer pay's into Cash Four hundred Pagodas on that Account.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer pay's into Cash Thousand Pagods. on Account Sea Custom.

Agreed one Thousand Pagods. be advanced Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

The Governour calling upon Mr. Hunt for the Generall Bookes of Accounts, now promisses to lay them before us the middle of next month Posted to [ye. last] ultimo April, and to see and draw out the Adjustments with all settlements we have Accots. with.

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The China Root being very much touched with the worme as it was on its first arrivall, which prevented it's sale at Outcry, soe to avoid an entire Loss to the Company, the Warehousekeepers are ordered to put it up again, and sell it for the most they can get, as also the Looking Glasses which spoile by lying in the Warehouse.

Mr. Raworth and the Gunner report they have view'd the streets in the Patta as now settled between the Casts, and agreed with them on the proper Places for setting up stones to limitt each Casts Bounds. Ordered that they remove the stones (that were formerly set up) into their proper Places and make what more necessary at the charge of the Cast.

Bill of sale for Boll Chittees House read and signed and is as Entered after this Consultation.

Ordered that Jeronimo de Matt of the Gunners Crew at his request be discharged, as ailso Andrew Rosaire, Anthony Diass, Lazaras Goucah, Joquim de Rosairio Entertained Souldiers in this Garrison.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD. HUNT.

To all whom these Presents may Concern The Honble. Thoms. Pitt Esqr. President and Governour of Fort St. George for Affairs of the Rt. Honble. United East India Company &ca. Council send Greeting.

Whereas there is a Brick and tiled house standing in Wallaga Chittees street in Mutall Patta, adjoining to the Northward Abdull Romains house, and to the southward to Machum Chittees, belonging to Ball Chitt[ee] lately one of the Mint Gold washers, who deserted among the Right hand Cast, and notice having been fixed at all Gates of the Town to give notice the house[s] of those who did not returne to their duty should be sold, which he regarded not but still continued in open Rebellion. KNOW YEE for the abovementioned reason as well as to make reparation to the Honble. Thomas Pitt Esqr. and Mr. Gulston Addison for the sum of Two hundred Pagods. wronged them of in a parcell of Gance that were entrusted to him to be run into Slabbs. That Wee in consideration of the sum of Two hundred Pagods. received of Verdapa Mint Braminy have made over and sold the above mentioned house Patta, and all other conveniencys and appurtenances as well as his eighth part in the Mint unto the said Verdapa his Heirs and assigns for ever. In Testimony whereof we the said Governour and Council have hereunto put our hands and the seal of the abovementioned Company this Tenth day of June Anno 1708.

THOMAS PITT.
WILLM: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THOMS. FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

10TH. Briggantine Greyhound Capt. Jones Comandr. arrived about ten this morning in the Road, Mr. St. John Bennet being much out of order sent the Following Letters ashore to the Governour.

Honble. Sr.

We arrived at Benevoula upon ye. Island of Madagascar the 29th. of December, Capt. White and two more came on board of us from the Pyrates, they seemed overjoyed at our coming, and so did the rest of them ashore and with your Honrs. Letter, and the copy of the Petition to the Queen, upon which they expect a pardon, & talked to us of nothing less then the performance of every thing they had promissed.

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A few days after our being here arrived the Neptune Galley one Miller Comander from Scotland, he was Loaden with Liquors &ca. before he could get his Ship into the Harbour, we had a most violent Hurricane, and Miller being apprehensive of loosing of her cut his Masts by the Board: In this Storme drove ashore and bilged the Riseing Eagle, the Elizabeth and the Dorothy all three ships taken by the Pyrats from the English Gentlemen in India, we had the good fortune to ride the storme out, but intending to carreen our Ship in order to it, we had put our Guns, water Cask cables and Anchors (except what we rid by) &ca. stores into the Dorothy, and so lost them, by this unexpected accident we were obliged to stay near ten weaks amongst these faithless People.

The 26th. of ffebruary the Pyrates took the Neptune Galley and the 28th. they plundered us, they took from us our Brass Colours and manelloes, our Powder and armes (which with we should have bought [the] Negroes) even to some of our Ships, and everything else we had worth the taking, by their excessive drinking and other Irregularitys they brought amongst them ffevers and Fluxes, which carryed about twenty of them off while we stayed there, and amongst the rest Capt. White, we had been very secure had either White lived, or North their Quartermaster been there (who lost all his Anchors and Cables amongst the Maldiva Islands, and was obliged to run the Briggantine ashore at Maratan, which lye about one hundred Leagues to the Southward of Bonnevoula, or if we had not lost our stores we had been gone long before they thought of doing us any mischeif. Bonnevoula lyes in the Lattitude of 17d 55m [S.] a reef of Rocks which runs about two miles into the Sea makes the Harbour where their Ships lyes, but most of the Pyrettes live upon a River seven Leagues to the Northward, it's one of the most easyest things in the world to burn their Ships, and if they could be kept from Shipping three or four years, they wod. [w]ast away by sickness into a capacity of doing us no further mischeif in India, should they be at Sea, and any Ship comes out with that design, if they'l lye either at the Mauritius, or at Donmaskareen as they'l most certainly meet them they constantly touching at these two Places in their homeward bound Voyage, The Neptune Galley (wch. is the only Ship now have) is about Two hundred Tons, and will carry 26 Guns, she looks a long Ship without board, but is a very crib within, and sail but indiffirently especially before the wind: This year I beleive they'l stay ashore and spend what they have got as is usuall with them; they seem weary of the Red Sea the Moors Ships being too strong for them, their next cruize will be in the streights of Malacca where I suppose we shall hear of them whenever they goe to Sea; let them make themselves as strong as they can, they can't raise above seventy or eighty Europeans, I don't think there's above one hundred on the whole Island.

The 10th. of March we left Madagascar to our infinite satisfaction just as we were ready to sail the Pyrates sent on board us Capt. Miller five of his officers, and four of his men with Mr. Forbes Second Supra Cargoe, of the Ship, three or four dayes after we had been at Sea Miller dyed, soe did Mr. Forbes and all the Officers we have buryed both our Mates, our Boatswain and one Christian Fellow, Captain Jones and myself very narrowly escaping, there is on board of us fourteen [*a few words lost*] or two of Goods of the Owners of the Riseing Eagle, and to the amount of about Fourteen Chests of the Governours Benjamin (the Rest being lost in the Storme) which was all we could save, we arrived here the 10th. June without bringing any answere to your Honrs. Letter.

I am
Sr.
Your Honrs. most Obedt. humble.
Servant

St. John Bennet.

Ship Four Brothers saild for Bengall.

The Eugene Friggat Capt. Barrow saild for Bengall. 11th

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12 Ship Helaujse Johdee, Mahomud Gaushe Noquedah arrived from Suratt.
14 Ship Gaujee Bux arrived from Atcheen Sidoo Sundoe Noquedah.
— Ship Trivettore saild for Manilha Lewis Madera Noquedah.
— Last night the Greyhound Briggantine [dr]ove out of this Road.
— Ship Anne Capt. Walton Comr. saild for Bengall.
15 Ship London Sr. George Matthews Comr. arriv'd from Persia.
19 Sweepsteaks saild for Bengall.
20 Sloop Maria saild for Bengall.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 21ST

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

The following Generall Letters received were now read Vizt.

From the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatm. datd. 25th May 1708.
ffrom Ditto] ... ... 26 Ditto.
From [Ditto ... ... pmo. June.

[*a few words lost*] Mary advising of their having [*a few words lost*]
us for [...] Cheekeens, wch. [*a few words lost*].
which [is ...] now agreed to be payd.
From the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St David 8 June.
From the Council for the United Affairs in Bengall dated 19th. April last.

Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his paymastrs. account for the month of May last vizt.

Charges Garrison	1124 : 22:—
Charges Cattle	40 : 22:—
Charges Generall	285 : 2.—
ffortifications & repairs	153 : 28:—
Dyett and Stores layd in	293 : 10:—
ffly	13 : 14:—
ffort St. David	15 :—
Riseing Sun Smack	5 : 9:—
Madapollam Yatch	4 : 17:—
Charges Extraordinary	16 : 11:—
Pags.	1951 : 27:—

Agreed one Thousand Pagods. be advanced him to defray Charges Garrison.

Ponagetto Narso &ca. Tobacco and Beetle ffarmers payes into Cash Five hundred eighty three Pagods. 12fas. on yt. Accot.

Mr. Richard Hunt Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers Account for the month of May last.

Mr. Richard Hunt Accomptant reads his Journall Parcells of Account for the month of April last.

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Ordered that the Warehousekeepers lays before us what Bales in the Godown for England, and how many in the Washers and Beaters hands [as] also what Tea and Peter in the Godowne.

Agreed that the Ballance of [Mr. T]homas Faucett Metchlepatam Acco^{t}. be pay'd being Pag^{s}. 225. 8.

Kittee Narrain pay's into Cash Thirteen hundred Pagod [as for...] years Rent for the New Towns.

This day the Heads of the Casts were again before us, when was produced four Papers, signed by them the purport thereof being the settlement of their streets in the Peddeneagues Petta which was now likewise signed by the Governour and Council and y^{e}. Companys Seal affixed thereto, one of the Papers delivered to each Cast, one to remain in the Pagoda, and the other in the Secretarys office, Translate of which is as Ent^{d}. after this Consultation, so 'tis hoped that troublesome business is now over, and in such a manner fixed as to prevent the like villainy for the future.

Agreed that the following stores belonging to the Company be Transferred to the United Trade at the following prizes Viz^{t}.

7 Anchors Europe at Pag^{s}. 3 [ꝑ Θ].
1 Ditto country at Pag^{s}. [...] D^{o}.
Copper Plates Europe at Invoice price.
Iron Ordnance 2 at Pag^{s} 2 ꝑ Θ.
8 Ditto old fitt for nothing but Ballast at Fan^{s}. 6 ꝑ Θ.

The ffollowing Topazes were this day Entertaind Sould^{rs}. Francisco [...] Ignatio Carvallee, Domingo Caldara, [...] Anthony Mareek.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^{T}: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICH^{D}: HUNT.

Govern^{r}. recd advises on the 21st. Ins^{t}. ffrench ship arrived Polliche[rry]. 23.

IN THE PRESENCE OF THE HON^{BLE}. THOMAS PITT ESQ^{E}. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE, MESS^{RS}. MARTIN, RAWORTH, FREDERICK AND HUNT OF COUNCIL; RAISUM RAMAP[AH] AND CONNAGOORE COMMARA PEDDEE NAIGUE.

WE the Right and Left Hand Casts Inhabitants of Chinnapatam upon a Result held between us in the Gentue Pagoda (as ꝑ Order of the Hon^{ble}. Governour and Council) are come to the Following Agreement and conclusion of the Disputes between us relating to our streets, Weddings, Feasts, and other Ceremonies in or about the Pedde Naigues Petta, w^{ch}, difference[s] have been of a long durance.

THOMAS PITT.
THOMAS FFREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.

WHEREAS the Houses in the Pedde Naigues Petta belonging to the Left hand Cast do deprive the Right Hand Cast of the Liberty of making their Weddings in that street, that those of the Left hand living in the aforementioned houses, shall remove from the date hereof to the Eastward of ECAUM[BREE]SURRAS PAGODA so to the back side of VINCATTY NARRANNAPAS stone Choultry, from thence directly to the southward, where they are to joine the Two streets from the Front of APPIAS Garden[s], which are to the Southward and Northw^{d} and to proceed no farther then GULLA ANNITCHES Ho[use] in the Northward street, where stands a WELL from thence to goe to the Northward as far as [*a few words lost*] House, from the [*a few*

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words lost] Mr. Empsons Garden, and so to proceed to Ecaumbreesurras Pagoda, all which composes a square. Tis farther agreed that the Left Hand Cast shall have possession of the street from Nautwarree Pillarrees Pagoda to the Westward. The two Alleys one from the front of Ramma Lingas House standing in the Braminys street, and the other to the southward of Durma Rasullas Pagoda, are both appropriated to the use of the Left hand Cast, for liberty of making their Weddings Feasts &ca. Ceremonies, as likewise all thereabouts

The streets to the Eastward of Nautwarree Pillarrees Pagoda to appertain entirely and solely to the Right Hand Cast, and all the Westward to the Left hand.

The Ecaumbreesurras Pagoda and Vincatty Narrannapa's stone Choultry to be free in use to [both] Partys.

As to their Burialls the Left hand Cast are to carry their Dead to Bun[gar] Ammas Garden thrô' the Westward street, and [if nee]ded they make any weddings &ca. in the Country and back again, they are to observe the ffollowing agreement. They are to goe from the North street to Tervottees street, so to the West fronting Gulla Annitches House, from thence to Raisum Appias Garden, so the Southward, where stands a Choultry free to both Partys, which they are to pass by, and from thence [*a few words lost*] Country, withall their musick [*a few words lost*] again to Quomma Leeshoorashs Petta.

Those of the Right Hand Casts liveing in the two aforementioned streets are to leave their Habitations ther[ein] to retire to those of the Left hand Cast in the Peddee Naigues Petta which is with the mutuall consent and Approbation of each Cast, as is likewise everything here incerted relating to our streets, Weddings, Feasts, &a Ceremonies.

None of the Gardens to the Westward of Mr. Empsons Street [*a few words lost*] Left hand Cast [*a few words lost*] with [the consent and] the [appro]bation of the Owners [*a few words lost*] are any of the Right hand Cast to build any houses on [the] said Gardens, as ℘ Agreement between both Casts.

If either of the Casts shall presume to break or disturb the Agreement (to which they have assented) they are to pay the sum of Twelve thousand Pagodas to the Rt: Honble. Company and to be punished as the Government shall think fitt.

Those of the South Alley to the Front of Gulla Annitch[es] Well, (who are of the Right Hand Cast, are to go to the Eastward of said Well, and the Left hand from the Well to the Westward the Corner of the Alley to be free to both partys.

The Gardens belonging to Tomoney Chittee and Sincarra Muttu Marra Chit[tee] st]anding in the Right hand Cast street, if disposed of [*a few words lost*] the Right Hand Cast, and the Gardens sta[nding in the . . .] Cast street, when sold; are [to be] sold to [. . .]

The Keiculla Cast [*a few words lost*] Weddings and Feasts [*about two lines lost*].

If the Right Hand Cast shall have occasion to [pay] their Worship for their Weddings &ca. to Ecaumbreesurras Pagoda they are to goe from their own [street] to Nautwarrees Choultry from thence to ye sou[th] and in the same manner back again to the Pagoda. [If the] Disputes and Differences being thus mutually & ffreindly accommodated and settled between both Partys, We have in Confirmation of the same sett our Hands this Tenth day of June one Thousand seven hundred & eight.

Right Hand Cast.	Left Hand Cast.
Vaira Verona Chittee.	Vinkettee Chittee.
Codunda Chittee.	Collaway Chittee.
Tirvottee Muddalaree.	Precausham.
Tondoway Maistree.	Vella Iapa Nineapa.
Ketty Timmapa.	Raggoway Dossoree Vaira.
Vaira Ragga Chittee.	Cornapau Chittee.

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Pullee Muttana.
Murraree Rammana Zubloo.
Gunna Worium Rammadaas.
Naggapa Chittee.
Andee Chittee Caunapah Chittee.
Sunca Rama.
Bulsoo Govenda Razulu.
[. . .]erry Pedda Venketadree.
[. . .]noda Tombee Chittee.
Naggapa.
Tongum Chittee.
Nareene.
Allum Gurry [. . .].
Pitchey [. . .].
Raisum Rammapa.
Connagooree Commare Peddenaigue.
Anny Cara Verdapa.
Pedda Tombe Chittee.
Nagga Linga.
Chinna Mattelloo.
Arrei Andee.
Chumbodee Chennanoo Andee.

Ship Sallamatt Rassoor, Colbash Noquedah saild for Bengall. 28

Ship Northumberland arrived from West Coast. 28

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 29TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Messrs. Martin and Raworth Warehousekeepers reads their Warehouse Account for the month of May last.

Agreed that Five thousand Pagods. be sent to Fort St. David by Peons overland.

Agreed that one years Rent for the Town ending ultimo ys. month be pay'd having received the Nabob and Duans order for it.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of May last Vizt.

Custom on Goods Imported and Exported		1410 :	18 :	5.
Custom on Grain		53 :	24 :	2.
Anchorage		70 :	18 :	—.
	Pags.	1534 :	25 :	1.

and payes into the Rt. Honble. Companys Cash Two thousand Pagods. on that Account.

Generall Letter from the Governr. and Council of York Fort dated 24th. May now read, with copy of one dated 31st. March sent Via Bengall both received by Ship Northumberland.

The Warehousekeepers delivers in an Accot. of Goods in the Warehouse &ca. fitt for Europe, according to an order last Consultation day.

Agreed to Dispatch Ship Northumberland for Bengall and that her Dollars be sent for ashore & Rupees exchanged for them.

THO : PITT.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT: RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.
RICHD : HUNT.

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JULY
2 Ship Pydrassum arrived from Maldevas.
3 Ship Ganjee Bux sailed for Fort St. David.
4 Ship Howland Capt. Cooke Comr. arrived from Persia.
– Ship Mahomud saild for Ganjam.
5 Ship Merree Maddad arrived from Collicutt.
– Ship St. John Coja Ignatio sailed for Manilha.
8 Ship Northumberland Capt. Dickerson saild for [. .]

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATTURDAY 10TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQr. GOVERNr. & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBT. RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Accot. Cash for the month of June last Ballce. being Pags : 1109 : 15.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Accot. for the month of June last, and payes into Cash the sum of Three hundred eighty three Pagods. 26 fans, for Custom on Gold coined, and farther pay's to the Warehousekeepers, four hundred forty nine Rupees 4a for Custom on Silver coined.

Mr. Thomas Frederick Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of June Vizt.

Choultry Custom	..	355 : 33 : 4.
Rubie Brokers	..	79 : 35 : 4.
Town Brokers	..	23 : 17 : 4.
Grass Cutters	..	56 : 26 : 5.
Registring Slaves	..	1 : 20 : —.
	Pa :	417 : 25 : 5.

and payes into Cash Three hundred Pagods. on Land Custom.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer pay's into Cash One thousand Pagods. on Account Sea Custom.

Mr. Richard Hunt Accomptant reads the Journall Parcells of Accounts for the month of May last 1708.

Generall Letter from the Governour and Council of Negapatam dated 6th. Instant now read.

Messrs. Martin and Raworth Warehousekeepers pays into Cash Five thousand Pagods. on Accot. Goods sold out of the Warehouse.

Agreed one Thousand Pagods. be advanced Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Ordered that Diago Gomes, Francis Mendes and Antony Anjengo are Entertain'd Souldiers in this Garrison and Henry Lackmore Discharged.

The Governour this day produced a Letter he received from Capt. Seaton, copy of which is as Entd. after this Consultation, the purport thereof being to demand his Pay for Eight months, which we look upon to be as insolent, almost equall to the Crime for which he was broake, for according to Military dissapline noe pay is due from the time they are dismissed from acting in their Post, besides all mankind can't but look that his punishment to be very just and mercifull, considering how he behaved himself whilst he was in his Employ, more particularly his defrauding the Company by his frequent and false Musters, therefore 'tis agreed that the Secretary returnes him an answere that there is nothing [due] to him for the reasons beforementioned.

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Peter de Pomera &c[a]. Arrack Farmers pay's into Cash Four hundred Pagod[s]. on that Account.

Agreed that Thirty five Pagod[s]. be pay'd out of Cash for one years Cawn Goyhee Duty end[g]. ult[o] past month.

THO : PITT.
W : MARTIN.
ROB[T] : RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.
RICH[D] : HUNT.

HON[BLE]. S[R].

I humbly submitt it to your Hon[rs]. justice and consideration, that whilst I unhappily lay under your Hon[rs]. displeasure, there was a space of about eight months between the time of my being suspended [of] my office by your Hon[rs]. &c[a]. Council, and the time [of] my being broaken by the same power during [which] I received no pay from the R[t]. Hon[ble]. Company.

Now my humble Petition to your Hon[r]. is that [you] will please to grant, and order the Pay which I received not during that space, the possitive term of which [I do] not exactly know, but that will appear by the R[t]. Hon[ble]. Companys Diary, I beg that your Hon[r]. will pardon this troublesome application, but I Petition your Hon[rs]. Justice presuming that untill I was broaken I might according to all Military Customs beleive myself a servant to the R[t]. Hon[ble]. Company.

S[R].
Your Hon[rs]. most hum[ble]. Serv[t].
FRANCIS SEATON.

Ship Bengall Merchant saild for Bengall. 10[TH]

Ship Bane Voageo saild for Manilha. 11

Ship S[t]. Geeve Auga Jaffeer Noquedah saild for Bengall. 12

Ship Mary Cap[t]. Wyatt saild for Bengall. 15

Ship Sedgwick Cap[t]. Hornett Com[r]. arrived from Batt[avia]. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY 16[TH]

THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]. GOVERN[R]. & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROB[r]. RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

M[r]. Richard Hunt Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers Account for the month of June last, and pays into Cash Three hundred Pagodas on Acco[t]. Stores sold.

The ffollowing Generall Letters received were all read.

ffrom the Cheif and Council of Vizagapat[m]. dated 22[d]. June.

From the Deputy Gov[r]. & Council of Fort S[t]. David 10[th] July 1708.

To the Chief and Council of Vizagapat[m]. dated yesterday.

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Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Paymastrs. account for the month of June last Vizt.

Charges Garrison		1,122 : 18 :
Charges Cattle		45 : 27 :
Charges Generall		303 : 33 :
ffortifications and Repairs		216 : 30 :
Dyet and Stores layd in		283 : 9 :
Charges Extraordinary		10 : 9 :
	Pa.	1,982 : 18 :

Agreed Five hundred Pagodas be advanced him to defray Charges Garrison.

The Junan and Tonqueen Copper having been put up at Outcry, where none offering near the prime Cost, Agreed to send the same on the Howland to Bengall, if the Commandr. will take it in ffreight free.

Mr. Hunt according to his promise does now produce the Generall Bookes to the ulto. April.

Ordered the Warehousekeepers sells at Outcry the raught silks, if they will fetch twenty five ℔ Cent advance.

Tho : Pitt.
W : Martin.
Robt : Raworth.
Tho : Frederick.
Richd : Hunt.

17 Ship Meera Madood, Cotta Issup Mircawir Noquedah saild for Vizagapatam.
24 Ship Bomrepau Abdulla Correar Noquedah saild for Bengall.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday 26th

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour & President.
William Martin. Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. Richard Hunt.

Ponagetto Nurso &ca. Tobacco and Beetle ffarmers payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Five hundred eighty three Pagods. twelve fanams on that Account.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer pays into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Two thousand Pagods. on Account Sea Custom.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David dated 17th. July now read with an answere thereto.

Tho : Pitt.
W : Martin.
Robt : Raworth.
Tho : Frederick.

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AT A CONSULTATION — FRIDAY 30TH.

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQr. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of June last Vizt.

Custom on Goods Imported & exported	2224 :	22 :	3.
Custom on Grain	53 :	23 :	—.
Anchorage	46 :	— :	—.
	2324 :	9 :	3.

and payes into Cash One Thousand Pagods. on Accot. Sea Customs.

Messrs. Martin and Raworth Warehousekeepers read their Warehouse Accounts for the month of June last.

THO : PITT.
W : MARTIN.
ROBr : RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

This evening at Four a Clock the Governour sumoned the Council most of the Companys Servants with the Cheifest of the European inhabitants to accompany him to the Garden, where he was mett by all the Armenians, Persians, Mogulls, Pattanners and Head Merchant Gentues Inhabitants of this Place, there to receive a Husbulhookum from King Shaw Allum to the Governr. here, procured by Zoodee Cawn Lord high Steward of said Kings Household, which was received with all Ceremony usuall on such an occasion, by fireing of great Guns &ca. — 31ST.

The Maddapollem Yatch belonging to the Rt. Honble. Company arrived in this Road from Fort St. David. — AUGUST Pmo.

Ship Taubacurr arriv'd from Porto Novo. —.

The Riseing Sun Smack belonging to the Compa. arrived from Fort St. David. 2.

Ship Howland Capt. Cooke Comr saild for Bengall. —.

Ship London St. George Matthews Comr. saild for Bengall. —.

Ship Taubacurr Mahomad Ally Noquedah saild for Bengall. 4.

Sloop Bone Voageo saild for Mallacca Mr. Burten Mastr. 5.

AT A CONSULTATION — SATTURDAY 7TH.

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQr. GOVERNr. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Peter de Pomar &ca. Arrack Farmers payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Five hundred Pagods. on yt. Accot.

Messrs. Martin and Raworth Warehousekeepers payes [into] Cash one hundred [. . .] Pagods. for [*a few words lost*].

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer pays into the Rt. Honble. Companys Cash One thousand Pagods. on Account Sea Custom.

Mr. Thomas Faucett Steward pays into the Compa. Cash One hundred thirty two Pagods. 24Fas. 16Ca. for salt Pork sold.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash for the month of July last Ballance being Pagods. 3297 : 18 : 3.

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Thomas Pitt Esq^{r}. Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for the month of July last, and payes into the R^{t}. Hon^{ble}. United Compays Cash Three hundred sixty Nine Pag^{s}. 21.$^{Fas.}$ for Custom on Gold Coined in said month.

M^{r}. Thomas Frederick Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of July last Viz^{t}.

Choultry Custom	219 :	2 :	3.
Rubie Brokers	78 :	22 :	—.
Town Brokers	133 :	25 :	3.
Registring Slaves	1 :	12 :	—.
Pag^{s}. ...	342 :	26 :	—.

and payes into the R^{t}. Hon^{ble}. United Companys Cash Four Hundred Pagod^{s}. on Account Land Custom, Agreed one Thousand Pagod^{s}. be advanced M^{r}. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges G[arrison].

Ordered that the Steward buys up Three hundred Hoggs, to be kept & well fed till the cold weather comes in, then to be kild and salted up for the use of Garrison [as] the Govern^{r}. [shall] Direct.

Ordered that the Maddapollam Yatch be forthwith returned to Fort S^{t}. David, and on her some Rosewater Persia ffruit &c^{a}. for the use of that Place.

The Husbulhookum Received from King Shaw Allum now read, and is as Entered after this Consultation, and the Governours Letter from Zoode Cawn is as Entered in the Copy Booke of Country Lr̃es. The purport of the Husbulhookum seems to Invite us to make our addresses to the King for a confirmation of our Priviledges, which opportunity we resolving to take hold of, beleiving that we shall accomplish it for a much less charge to the Company, then if we deferr it till the contest between the Brothers are over, wherefore tis agreed that the Governour draws out a Petition to the King, a Letter to the Grand Vizier, and another to Zoode Cawn, and lay them before the Council for their advice therein.

Zoode Cawns Lady (by whose Husbands means the Husbulhookum was sent us) living still at S^{t}. Thoma to whom 'tis agreed to send a Present of Persia ffruit Rosewater &c^{a}. and some Phillagreen work of Manilha with a peice of Persia Cloth of Gold, all to the value of one hundred and twenty or one hundred and thirty Pagod^{s}. or thereabouts.

The Raught Silks now in the Warehouse having been [sent to] Outcry and none offering Twenty fanams [*a few words lost*] to an order of Consulta[tion] of the 16th. past month, but since a Merchant offering Twenty five ℔ Cent, and to take them all, agreed they be delivered him at Thirty ℔ Cent advance reckoning six shillings and eight pence the Tale and Nine shillings the Pagoda.

Agreed the Riseing Sun Smack be sent to Vizagapat^{m}. and on her the Warehousekeepers to Load all the Tonqueen Copper, and make it up Forty Candy with the Junan.

Generall Letters from the Deputy Govern^{r}. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David dat^{d}. 30th. July & 4th. Ins^{t}. both now read.

Ordered that Domingo Rebeiro, Afonso de Manceo, and Agustinio Fernandes are Entertaind Souldiers in this Garrison.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^{T}: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

FROM CAWNE CAUNAUN
BAHAWDEE ZEPHIR JUNG
GRAND VIZIER.

The Governour of Chinnapatam may depend upon his Majesties Royall Favour.

The good and faithfull services you have done his Majesties Subjects has been represented to him, by some of his Cheif Ministers of State, upon whose recommendation of your merits, a mark of his favour to you he has ordered this Husbulhookum to be sent you to certifie the same, not doubting but your deportment will continue to be such as to encrease in fame and reputation, and according as you observe this Husbulhookum you may expect further marks of his Majtys. Grace and Countenance.

DATED JUNE 1ST.
RECEIVED JULY 31ST. 1708.

Danes Sloop arrived from Trincombar. 8.

Ship Charlton Capt. Boddam Comr. saild for Bengall. 12.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT. FRIDAY 13TH.

WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

The Governour lays before the Council this day for their consideration and advice a Petition he had drawn up to King Shaw Allum, a Letter to the Grand Vizier a Letter to Zulphaker Cawn, and another to Zoode Cawn which were all read, and agreed to be put in the Persian Language, and to be dispatched with all expedition that soe they may arrive before the King comes to Gulcondah.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster pays to the Warehousekeepers Ten thousand four hundred forty Nine Rupees 10 ans. for Custom on silver coined last month, as is the Ballance of that Account.

Messrs. Martin and Raworth Warehousekeepers reads their Warehouse Account for the month of July last.

Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the month of July last Vizt.

Charges Garrison	Pa. 1106 : 22 : ...
Charges Cattle	48 : 20 : ...
Charges Generall	277 : 35 : ...
ffortifications and Repairs	220 : 1 : ...
Dyet and Stores	234 : 3 : ...
Riseing Sun Smack	6 : 13 : ...
Maddapollam Yatch	3 : 18 . ...
	Pags. 1897 : 9 : ...

Agreed Five Hundred Pagods. be advanced him to defray Charges Garrison.

Mr. Richard Hunt Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers Account for the month of July last.

Agreed that Five hundred Pagods. be advanced the Washers towards curing the Rt. Honble. United Comps. Callicoes.

Agreed that the Estate of Francisco de Saa now in the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash, be pay'd to the Bishop of St. Thoma, and Francisco Mendes, upon the latter giving Security.

Ordered that Manuel Pitera be Entertain'd a souldier in this Garrison and John Lewis, Antonio de Smart, Bernardus Standars, and Abraham Adrian of the Gunners Crew.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

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God Grant the great King Shaw Allum may live for ever, is the hearty Prayers of the Governour of Chinnapat[m]. and all of the English Nation in your Majesties Dominions who have been here lately blessed with your Majesties Gracious and Royall Husbulhookum, and for [your] Majesties Commands therein they shall [always be] kept as Sacred by us as they were in the time of your Majestys Royal Predecess[rs]. who were pleased to bestow their Royall favours on us, in granting us severall Priviledges to incourage us in our Trade for a confirmation of which we humbly Petition yo[r]. Majesty to Grant us your Royall Phirmaund, with what additionall favours Your Majesty in your Royall Wisdom shall think fitt; which we shall not only Record in our Bookes but in our hearts alsoe, And as in Duty bound shall ever pray for Your Majestys long and Prosperous Reigne, and that you may be always soe Victorious as to lay your Feet on the neck of your Enemys.

To His Highness Cawne Canaun

Bahawdee Zephir jung Grand Vizier.

Your Highnesses noble qualifications and Vertues being known to all the world, which increase by your daily giving instances of your justices and mercy and particularly your ffavours and protection, which you so liberally bestow upon all Strangers in your King's Dominions, of whome we here have a late Instance, in receiving the Blessing of his Majesty's Royall Husbulhookum, which we must attribute to your Highness[es] favour and great care of us for which we returne our most humble thanks, and humbly request that as we now send our Petition to the Great King Shaw Allum, humbly desireing his Royall Phirmaund for a confirmation of our Privilledges according to * Sallabad throughout his Dominions, That your Highness would be pleased to countenance and assist us in procuring the same, for which you shall not only find us gratefull but dutifull, and shall always pray for your Hig[h]nesses health and prosperity, and for ever to be blessed with the favour of your Great King.

To Zulphaker Cawne &c[a].

The many obligations we lye under to your Highness are never to be forgotten, being rivitt'd in our memorys as well as recorded in our Bookes, which we should have often acknowledg'd but prevented by the great distance and troubles of the Country, yet nevertheless we never fail'd to inquire after your Highnesses health, w[ch]. God continne.

Your Highness is well acquainted with the Priviledges our Nation enjoyed in the Reigne of the Great Ore[ngzebe of] Blessed momory, which we are endeavouring [to get] confirmed by a Royall Phirmaund [from] the Great King Shaw Allam that soe our Trade may goe on in all Parts [according to] *Sallabad [*a few words lost*] Petition that your Highness will continue your wonted ffavours to us in speaking in our behalv[es] as an opportunity presents, for which we shall be alwayes gratefull, and pray for your Highness[es] health and prosperity.

August 13[th]: 1708.

To His Excellency Zoode Cawne.

[Lord High Ste]ward of the

Kings Household.

Tis your Noble and Generous mind that has drawn this trouble of our application to you as I wrott to you in my last [*a few words lost*]. Aga Makeem, I now send [*a few words lost*] to the King and address to him [*a few lines lost*]. Phirmaund to confirme our Priviledges [according to] Sallabad in all his Dominions, unless his Majesty shall out of his Royall bounty bestow some new Favours on us. Your Excellency cannot but know, that Miliapore is a troublesome neighbourhood to us, creating always disputes and quarrells, little advantage to the King, nor will it ever be more, which could we obtain, & the Town of Trivitore on the other side of us, it would make us easy and increase the Riches of the Kings Country.

* Customary or prescriptive exactions of the native Governments, *Hobson-Jobson*, page 786.

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And whereas the Goods we import are Generally carryed to the Capitall Citys of Golcondah and Vizapoor &c[a]. which Trade we should much increase if there was noe Custome pay'd upon 'em between this Place and those Citys, and that the Mettas about us, which of late years have been increast, to the plague and ruine of Trade, were lay'd aside, which only find employs for some little people, who destroy Trade by their Vexa[tion] and Extortion, and in the main very much less[en] the Kings Revenue.

And we humbly desire that you would get inserted in a Phirmaund that whenever we are so unfortunate as to loose any Ship in any part of his Majestys Dominions, that we shall have the liberty to preserve what we can of the [wreck] without any molestation from the Government which is [only] a practice throughout y[e]. wo[**rld**] but the Inhabitants are Generally Commanded to assist therein, for 'tis a great hardship that after the great Risgoe People have run of their lives, they shall not be at liberty to save what they can of their Estates we must own with great thankfullness that this Justice has been granted us by former Perwannas from Cawn Bahaudar, and the present Nabob, but as it has been formerly disputed it may again, w[ch]. nothing but the Kings Gracious Grant can prevent.

We extreamly want the Kings blessing & favour to give a new b[eginning] to our Trade, for since yo[r]. Excell[y]. went hence, this Place has lost near Three Lack of Pagod[s]. by misfortunes, and most by Pyrats, so that 'tis become Poor; and nothing can contribute to the retreiving our Losses, but Gods blessing the Kings favour and your Excellencys continuance in assisting of us.

Here are Ships in few days that will depart for Pegue, when shall write the King what you advised in your former Letter that an Ambassad[r]. was coming to him.

Cawn Bahawder always showed himself a freind to our Nation, whose favours we cannot but retaine with great thankfullness, so have wrott him a Lett[r]. which comes herewith, and a Copy of it in your Excellencys, soe leave it to your pleasure whether it shall be delivered him.

If please God we are soe fortunate as to be blessed [by the King so as to obtain] his Royall Phirmaund we humbly Entreat your Excellency to appoint some able Person to see it soe fully penn'd, as that it may not admit of any dispute from the Nabobs and Governours where the same is to be executed, our dependance is intirely upon your Excellencys Freindship, for which we shall be alwayes full of our acknowledgements, and heartily wish your Excellency and all your Family health and prosperity.

Ship Illauhee Auga Rasseen Noquedah saild for Bengall. 14

The Maddapollam Yatch saild for Fort S[t]. David.

Ship Pearle belonging to the Mallabars saild for Juncksalon.

At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt Esq[r]. Governour & President. Thursday 19[th].
William Martin. Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. Richard Hunt.

There having some Pe[ople] belonging to Zoodee Cawn (our great Freind at the King's Court) to acquaint the Governour that his Ladye att S[t]. Thoma extreamly wanted money for her Charges, not being able to get Bills upon her Husband, nor could he remitt any by reason of the great troubles in the way, so desired of the

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Governour to Lend Five hundred Pagodas from his Account, who answered them that it was [the] Companys possitive orders to Lend none of th[e Comp^s^.] money to any People whatever, nor that their Governours, or any in their service should lend any money to any in the Country Government, upon the penalty of being discarded their service, and that was to prevent the like dispute that happen'd between M^r^. Holcombe and the Government at Vizagapatam but considering our dependance to procure a Phirmaund is upon the Freindship of the aforesaid Ladys husband the Governour acquaints the Council that he promiss'd to procure a Merchant to Lend that money if Auga Mackeem a Merchant of this Place, would give his Bond for it, which he had done for Five hundred Pagod^s^. to [Venkittee Chit]tee to be repay'd in Four months with [*a few words lost*] Bond being now produced 'twas [*a few words lost*] Five hundred Pagod^s^. be on the Companys account, and repay'd the Govern^r^. out of [his cas]h, being a thing absolutely necessary at this [stage] thô not to be drawn into a President for the future.

The Company having a sorrell Persia Horse good for little, and there being some people about to buy him, 'tis agreed the Governour sells him for what he can get.

We having had lately more Thefts and Robberys committed in this City then usuall, and finding they daily increase, to prevent which, 'tis agreed y^t^. all Persons as [may be found guilty] shall be punished by being whip'd at a Cart through all the streets [of] the Black Town, and afterwards lye in Prison till an opportunity presents to send them to the West Coast where they are to be the Companys slave[s] for Ninety Nine years, and this order to be published by setting it up on every Gate of the Black Town.

The Three Head Boatmen having been long since co[nvicted] for contriving and abetting the opening the Companys Bales as they went on board the Dutchess as ℘ Consultation 10^th^. February last, and since have been whipt round the Town as part of their Punishment then ordered, and from time to time have lain in Prison, daily making application to us to suspend that part of the [sentence] that orders them to be Pillard and loose their Ears and offer for their attonement to pay Five hundred Pagod^s^. into the Companys Cash, which is now agreed to be received, and the three Persons to be discharged provided that the Peddeniague will give security for their good behaviour for the future, and that they shall not at any time be contriving or abetting any Villany amongst the Boatmen or others.

The Governour being advised from Pegue that a Conicoply one Ausapau that went hence on one of the Ships thither had had the impudence to counterfiet a Letter to the King of that Country as if it came from the Governour here, and with it sent a Present, for which he had an advantageous returne in Elephants as usuall, so to prevent the purnishous consequences that attend such Vile Practices, the Governour seiz'd him as soon as he returned, and put him in Prison, and intended to have punished him severely, but having been there a Fac[tion of] severall Merchants of the Place, to whom [he] had not yet rendered any Account, and it is thought he never would if he is disgraced by a Punishment. Tis therefore agreed that he be fin[e]d for his crime Two hundred Pagod^s^. to be pay'd into the Companys Cash, & give security he never more goes to Pegue.

M^r^. William Martin Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of July last Viz^t^.

Custom on Goods Imported and exported this month	...	3207	28	3
Custom on Grain	...	156	0	5
Anchorage	...	69	18	0
Pag^s^.	...	3433	11	2

and pay's into the R^t^. Hon^ble^. United Companys Cash one thousand Pagod^s^. on account Sea Custom.

Ordered that the Warehousekeepers sells the Rupees at Three hundred thirty seven for 100 Pagod^s^..

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Ordered that the Warehousekeepers View what Grain the Company has in the Warehouse, and sell what is in danger of perishing by keeping it longer.

Agreed we dispatch the Riseing Sun to Vizagapatam on the 26th. Instant.

Ponagetto Narso &ca. Tobacco and Beetle ffarmers pay's into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Five hundred eighty three Pagods. 12fas. on yt. Accot.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD: HUNT.

Ship Sheering Mary arrived in this Road from Porto Novo. 20

Ship Princes Sophia Hedrick belonging to ye. Royall Danish Company arrived here from Trincombar. 22

Danes Sloop arrived from Trincombar. —

The St. David Friggat Capt. Heaton Comr. arrived in this road from Battavia. 24

Ship Dansburge arrived from Trincombar. —

Danes Sloop Saild for Bengall. —

Ship Dansburge saild for Pollicutt. 25

Ship Princess Sophia Hedrick saild for Bengall. —

Riseing Sun Smack sail'd for Vizagapatam. 25

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 26TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBT. RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Mr. Richard Hunt Accomptant reads the Journall Parcells of Accounts for the month of June.

The ffollowing Letters read.

ffrom the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatm. datd. 28th. July.

ffrom Mr. Noden at Metchlepatam datd. 12th. Instant advising of his having drawn a Bill of Exchange on us for Pags. 4833 : 4. which is Agreed to be pay'd and that Accomptant peruses his Accot. Currt. & reports ye. same.

To the Chief and Council of Vizagapatm. datd. yesterday.

To Mr. Noden at Metchlepatam ditto date.

Mr. William [Martin] Sea Customer pays into Cash one Thousand [Pagodas on] Accot. Sea Custom.

Agreed that 12 Topass[es & peons] are sent to Vizgapm. with the following stores [one Ba]le of Broadcloth 1 Box Petty Merchandize Country Powder 20Ca, 6 Great Guns, 20 muskets.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD: HUNT.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

[SEPTEMBER] THURSDAY 2D.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Aunsapa the Pegue Conicoply does this day pay into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum of Two hundred Pagodas his fine, as Agreed on in our Consultation of the 19th. past month.

The Mucqaws payes into the Rt. Honble. United Comps. Cash Five hundred Pagods. their Fine, as Agreed on [in] our Consultation the 19th. past month.

Moodelaree the Head Conicoply at the Choultry who the Governour confined some months past for ill practices there to the prejudice of the Companys Revenue, who ever since has been offering the Governour money for his Attonement, and now being come up to the sum of Five hundred Pagodas Tis agreed he pay's the same into the Companys Cash, and that he be discharged of his confinement and rendred ever uncapable of Serving the Compa. again.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash for the month of August last Ballance being Pagods. 5951 : [. . .].

Agreed one Thousand Pagods. be advanced Mr. Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Mr. Richard Hunt reports that he has perused Mr. Nodens Account and finds the same to be true.

Ordered that Lucas Coine be one of the Gunners Crew and Marta Cornelius Entertained a souldier, and that John Atkins one of the Gunners Crew and William James be both discharged.

THO : PITT.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT : RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.
RICHD : HUNT.

8TH. Ship Merree Madud saild out of this Road for Rack[een].

— Ship Vera Latchemy saild for Pegue.

10. Ship Mooshehee saild out of this road for Pegue.

— Ship Boon Voyageo Issa Coolee Noquedah saild for Pegue.

— Ship Donna Latchemy Ram Chundre Noquedah saild for [. . .].

— This Day the Governour went to the Garden attended by the Gentlemen of Council and the cheifest of the Inhabitants to receive a Husbulhookum sent from King Shaw Allum, which was received with the usuall ceremonys on the like occasion.

13TH Ship Chindadree belonging to Callaway Chittee saild for Quodah.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 14TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer pays into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash one thousand Pagods. on Account Sea Customs.

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Mr. Thomas Frederick Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of August last Vizt.

Choultry Custome	Pags.	193 :	16 :	73
Ruby Broakers		240 :	29 :	14
Town Broakers		10 :	28 :	42
Registring Slaves		— :	16 :	—
	P.	445 :	18 :	49

and pay's into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Three hundred Pagodas on that Account.

Mr. Richard Hunt Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers Account for the month of August last.

The Governour produces the Translate of ye. Husbullhookum lately received, with an answer thereto wch. were both now read, and ordered to be kept with the Husbulhookum in the Chest.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governr. & Council [Fort St. David] dated 2d. Instant now read.

The Governour and Mr. Hunt having examin'd the Power sent to the Bishop of St. Thomas by which he demands Francisco de Saas money, wch. Powers they now report are very difficient and in such a manner, as there is no reason to think they never came from Portugall, soe 'tis Agreed the money still remains in the Companys Cash till more Authentick Powers are produced.

THO : PITT.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT : RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.
RICHD : HUNT.

Ship Sheering Mary Auga Nury Noquedah saild for Pegue. 15TH
Ship St. David Capt. Thomas Meverell Comr. saild for Pegue. 16TH
Ship Four Brothers arrived in this Road from Bengall. 19
Ship Hopewell Capt. Sandys from Ditto. —
Sloop Dutchess arrived from Vizagapatam. —
Maddapollam Yatch arrived from Fort St. David. 22
Ship Poidoo Rasur Auga Medee Noquedah saild out of this Road for Tenasseree. —
[Ship] Harriote [Capt. Moss] Comr. arrived from Mocho. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH. THURSDAY 23D
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Ponagetto Narso &ca. Tobacco and Beetle ffarmers pay's into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Five hundred eighty three Pagods. 12fas . on that Account.

Peter de Pomar &ca. Arrack Farmer pays into the Honble . Companys Cash Five hundred Pagods. on that Account.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for the month of August last, and pay's into the Companys Cash One hundred Ninety one Pagods. for Custom on Gold coin'd, and farther pay's to the Warehousekeepers Two thousand three hundred twenty five Rups. 12ans. for Custom on Silvr. coind.

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Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the month of August last [Vizt].

Charges Garrison	Pags.	1172 : 3 :—
Charges Cattle		129 : – —
Charges Generall		421 : 7 :—
Fortification and repairs		246 : 5 :—
Dyett and allowances		245 : 20 :—
Stores		149 : 30 :
Riseing Sun smack		97 : 5 :—
	Pa.	2460 : 34 :—

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of August last Vizt.

Custom on Goods Imported & Exported	Pa.	1566 : 1 : 26.
Custom on Grain		146 : 17 : 68.
Anchorage		49 : — : —.
	Pags.	1761 : 19 : 14.

and pays into the Rt. Honble. Companys Cash one Thousand Pagods. on Accot. Sea Customs.

Messrs. Martin and Raworth Warehousekeepers reads their Warehouse Accots. for the month of August last.

Ordered that Domingo Mendis and Andrew de More are Entertain'd Souldiers in this Garrison.

THO : PITT.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT : RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.
RICHD : HUNT.

23d Nabob Dow'd Cawn arrived at St. Thoma.

24 Ship Greyhound Capt. Jones Comr. saild out of this Road for Bengall.

— Sloop Dutchess saild for Vizagapatam.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATTURDAY 25TH

THOMAS PITT EsqR. GOVERNR. & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

The Nabob arriving at St. Thoma [*a few words lost*] who we hear is now going up to joine the [*a few words lost*] Gulcondah, so we think it necessary to send Messrs. Raworth and Davenport to vissett him, and carry him a Present of about Two hundred Pagods. for that will lye in his Power to do us a great deal of good, or harme, when he comes to the Kings Company and if he returns again Nabob of this Country, this may preserve his Freindship, and accordingly 'tis ordered they goe this day.

THO : PITT.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT: RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.
RICHD: HUNT.

26 Ship Dansburge saild out of this Road for Mallacca.

28 The Maddapollam Yatch saild for Fort St. David.

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At a Consultation Tuesday 28th

Present

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governr. and President.
William Martin. Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. Richard Hunt.

Messrs. Raworth and Davenport returning from the Nabob the same day, who carryed him a Present as Entered after this Consultation, which he received ver[y kindly] and returned by them Two Perwannas for Five villages adjoining to ours valued in the Perwannas at Five hundred Pagods. ℘ Annum, the Translate of the Perwannas as Entered after this Consultation; since which some of the Kings officers have been clamouring against the Nabob for giving away the Kings Towns, and to him that whereas he had mentioned the value of the ffifteen hundred Pagods. that it was above Three thousand, which our Mulla came from St. Thoma to acquaint us, upon which the Nabob ordered the Kings Bookes to be surched, and the real value to be lay'd before him, saying that he had granted the Amount of Fifteen hundred Pagods. as no more [could] we expect, soe 'tis agreed that our Mulla and Braminy returne again to St. Thoma with about Two hundred Pagodas which is ordered to be distributed among the [two *pages lost*].

At a Consultation Thursday 30th

Present

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour & President.
William Martin. Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. Richard Hunt.

We being advised that the Nabob goes from St. Thom[a] this evening, 'Tis Agreed the Mulla and Braminy goes thither to complyment him, and to thank him for all his favours, and to know whether they must wait upon him to Arcot for his Great Seal to the Perwannas, for that when he gave the Towns he had but his small seal with him, which he ordered them to do accordingly, soe not knowing but that it is necessary to have the Kings Duan and Buxee Seals to our Perwannas for the Towns, who never doe any thing for nothing, 'tis agreed when the Mulla and Braminy when they have received the Perwannas with the great Seal, follow the Nabobs Directions whether they shall goe to the Duan and Buxee, and if soe that th[en] we send with them a Letter of Credit for one Thousand Rupees to defray the Charges thereof, and they carry with them a chest of Rosewater and Atchar and eight peices of China Silk to distribute amongst the of[ficers] as there shall be occasion.

Tho: Pitt.
W: Martin.
Robt: Raworth.
Tho: Frederick.
Richd: Hunt.

[October]

The Mulla and Braminy this day sett out for Arcott. pmo.
Ship Hopewell Capt. Sandys saild for Bengall. —
Ship John and Elizabeth Capt. Reid Comr. saild for Ditto. 3
Ship Harriote Capt. Moss Comr. saild for Ditto. 7
Briggantine Endeavour saild for Bengall & Syam. —

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 11TH

THOMAS PITT Esqr. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

The Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David having frequently prest us for money to clear with their Merchants, for which we deferred giving Bonds at Interest in hopes of the arrivall of our Europe Shipping, but the Season being now over, Tis agreed that we forthwith write them to send the Ballance of all their Accounts with their Merchants, when shall give them Directions to give the Companys Bond at Interest from the primo September last.

Agreed that Five thousand Pagods. be sent to Fort St. David by Bill overland, to pay the Charges Garrison, Washers &ca. to whom they write they are in great arrears, and that they keep Ramma who murthered the Boy at Cuddaloor in safe Custody to send hither when the Monsoon presents.

Mr. Manning one of the Supra Cargoes of the Kent delivered in this day an odd sort of a Petition as Entd. after this Consultation, to the first part of which we can give noe [answere] till the returne of Capt. Harrison and for the other part we think it deserves none, nor any consideration for what he desires, the Governour having on his first arrivall tender'd him the accommodation of the Generall Table as alsoe his own, and Lodgings in the ffort.

Mulla Moraad formerly Governour of St. Thoma, to whom was sent the Kings First Husbulhookum, which he delivered us at the Garden, in consideration of which and his now going up to the Kings Court; Tis agreed a Present be made him to the value of Thirty or fforty Pagods. the particulars as Entered after this Consultation, and a small Present of Persia ffruit &ca to Zoodee Cawns Lady who is now going to her Husband at the Kings Camp, and ffifty Bottles of cordiall waters be sent by Mulla Moraad to Zulphaker Cawn.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash for the month of Septr. last Ballance being Pagods. 7177 : 14.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. as Mintmaster reads his Mint Accounts for the month of September last, and pay's into the Rt. Honble. United Companys the sum of Two hundred Ninety nine Pagods. 4fas. 40 ca. for Custom on Gold coind, & farther pay's to the Warehousekeepers Rupees Three thousand seven hundred ninety eight and 8ans for [Custom] on Silver coined.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer pays into Cash one thousand Pagods. on Account Sea Custom.

Agreed one thousand Pagods. be advanced Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Mr. Thomas ffrederick Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of September last Vizt.

Choultry Custom	P. 148 : 30 : 10
Ruby brokers	92 : 13 : 54
Town brokers	25 : 27 : 63
Grass cutters	1 : 24 : 60
Registring Slaves	1 : 12 : —
	Pa. 270 : — : 27

and payes into the Rt. Honble. Campanys Cash Five hundred Pagods. on Account Land Custom.

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Ordered that the Accomptant draws out the last half years salary due to the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{as}. Factory of this Place ending 29th. September.

THO : PITT.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^{T} : RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.
RICH^{D} : HUNT.

May it Please yo^{r} Hon^{r}. and Gentlemen of the Council.

The Hon^{ble}. the Court of Managers by the 11th. Article of their Instructions to their Supra Cargoes for their [Goods] on board the Ship Kent did direct and order the said Supra Cargoes each the sum of 15£ ℔ head for fresh Provisions in their homeward bound passage to England the which sum apertaining and Due to your Petitioner Cap^{t} Harrison did receive and has kept the same for my passage from China to this Port, which with humble submission I can't think to be his right, nor according to the meaning & Intentions of my Hon^{ble} Masters, whose meaning I take it to be from this Port to England, if the said Ship had proceeded as then supposed and Directed. Wherefore your Petitioner humbly desires the said Donation may be apply'd according to the true intent and meaning of the Donors: And he alsoe further prays that you will be pleased to allow him such a consideration for his Charges of Lodging and Dyett; which his want of health during the best part of his abode here has obliged him to be at, and consequently rendered him uncapable of enjoying that benefit w^{ch}. otherwise would have excused the trouble of this last part of his Petition in both which parts your Petitioner humbly craves your favours soe farr as it shall appear reasonable and the Custom and Precedents to others in the like cases, and your Petitioner in gratitude shall humbly pray &c^{a}.

SAM^{LL}. MANNING.

MADRASS [S]^{BER} PRIMO
1708.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT. SATTURDAY 16TH.

WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

This day we sent for Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees to acquaint them that since our Ships from England were not arrived that we thought fitt to put a stop to our Investment, therefore resolve to receive no more Cloth from them then what Brown in the Godown, and what actually in the Loome, which they were ordered to hasten in, that soe their Accounts may be adjusted.

There going a Portuguez on the Greyhound Briggantine to Madagascar as Cheif Mate of her, who we were assured carryed nothing hence with him, but dying in his returne Intestate and having noe Relations, and there being found in his Chest in Silver which produced eighteen hundred and two Rupees, which the Portuguez claime as a perquisite to their Church, but being got in y^{e}. English service we thought it just and reasonable to be divided equally between our Church and theirs, which is agreed accordingly to be done.

We having large experience that 'tis impossible for us to Manage the income of Villages soe as not to be imposed upon, and loose at least halfe the produce, to prevent which 'tis agreed this day to Lett out to Rent the Five Villages (lately given the Comp^{a}. by the Nabob) for Twelve years to Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees at

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Twelve hundred Pagodas ℘ Annum to commence from this day, who are obliged to repair all Tanks belonging thereto, which have been let run to ruin as accustomary by those who have been lately the Renters of them, and the Secretary is ordered to draw out a Lease for them.

The Nabob when at S^t. Thoma last year had a great likeing to the Secretarys Horse, which the Governour prevaild with him to part with for Three hundred and ffifty Pagod^s. which he immediatly pay'd him and sent him to the Nabob, when for some reason or other he had changed his mind and returned him soe being bought purposely for him, and that at this time they have not one Horse in their Stable fitt for their Governour to Mount; Tis agreed that the Horse be taken for their Acco^t: and that y^e. Govern^r. be pay'd for him out of their Cash.

M^r. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Paymast^rs. account for the month of September last Viz^t.

Charges Garrison	Pa. 1064 : 16 : —
Charges Cattle	48 : 17 : —
Charges Generall	300 : — : —
Fortifications and repairs	203 : 7 : —
Maddapollam [Yat]ch	1 : 27 : —
Charges Extraordinary	4 : 15 : —
Dyett & allowances	223 : 22 : —
Stores	86 : 34 : —
Acco^t. Presents	22 : 23 : —
	Pa. 1955 : 27 : —

Agreed one thousand Pag^s be advanced him to defray Charges Garrison.

Mess^rs. Martin and Raworth Warehousekeepers reads their Accounts for September last.

Ordered that the Warehousekeepers delivers out to the Washers ffifteen Garse of Paddy.

M^r William Martin Sea Customer pay's into Cash one thousand Pagod^s on Account Sea Custom.

Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated 22^d. September now read, advising their having drawn a Bill of Exchange on us for 2525¼ Rup^s. which is now orderd to be pay'd by the Warehousekeepers.

M^r Richard Hunt Accomptant does now produce the Generall Bookes Ballanced.

Tho: Pitt.
W: Martin.
Rob^t: Raworth.
Tho: Frederick.
Rich^d: Hunt.

24. A Little after three in the afternoone was felt an Earthwake by most of the Inhabitants of the Place which lasted about halfe a Minute.

[*Two pages lost.*]

Companys Factors of this Place Amount^s. Pa. 1246 : 1 : which is agreed to be pay'd.

Tha Moodelaree does now pay into the Hon^ble. Comp^s. Cash Three hundred Pagod^s as his Fine agreed on in Consultation the 2^d. past month.

Tho: Pitt.
W: Martin.
Rob^t: Raworth.
Tho: Frederick.
Rich^d: Hunt.

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Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR: GOVERNR. & PRESIDENT. FRIDAY 29TH.

WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David dated 24th. Instant now read, the purport representing the pressing necessity of the Merchts. for their money, and that if we obliged them to take the Companys Bonds for the same desire that they Commence from the first of July last, they having delivered in their Cloth some months before, for the amount of which they pay a great Interest, which if not considered they should be loosers by the Contract, and this having been averr'd to us by severall former Letters from the Deputy Governour and Council there, [we are] apt to give Credit thereto; So all which considered, and that we may not doe anything to prevent the Merchants from undertaking future Contracts; 'tis unanimously agreed that they are allowed Interest from the first of July, and that we forthwith write the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David to give them their Bonds for Account of the Rt. Honble. United English East India Company at Nine ℘ Cent ℘ Annum for the Ballance of their Account being Pagods. 30550 : 24fas : 2ca.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD: HUNT.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

[NOVEMBER] TUESDAY 9TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR: GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash for the month of October last Ballance being Pagods. 3663 : 5 : 3.

Mr. Thomas Frederick Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of October last Vizt.

Choultry Custom	Pags. 120 : 20 : 33
Rubie Brokers	84 : 19 : 14
Town Brokers	26 : 14 : 48
Registring Slaves	— : 32 : —
	Pags. 232 . 14 : 15

Mr. Richard Hunt Accomptant reads the Journall Parcells of Accounts for the months of August & Septembr. last.

Agreed one Thousand Pagods. be advanced Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David dated 5th. Instant now read, as also a Generall Letter from the Governr. and Council of Negapatm. to Fort St. David.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer pays into Cash the sum̃ of one thousand Pagodas. on that Accot.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD: HUNT.

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Present

Thomas Pitt Esq^{r}: Governour & President.

Friday 19th.

William Martin. Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. Richard Hunt.

Thomas Pitt Esq^{r}. Mintmaster reads his Mint Accounts for the month of October last and pay's into the R^{t}. Hon^{ble}. United Companys Cash the sum̃ of Fifty five Pagodas 16^{fas} 40^{ca} for Custom on Gold coined and farther pay's to the Warehousekeepers 6 Rupees for Custom on Silver coined.

M^{r}. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the month of October last Viz^{t}. as also [the] Acco^{t}. Black Town Wall and works.

Charges Garrison	Pag^{s}.	1058	26	—
Charges Cattle		53	3	—
Charges Generall		327	27	—
ffortifications & repairs		186	18	—
Dyet and Allowances		264	12	—
Charges Extraord^{ry}.		6	—	—
Acc^{t}. Presents		319	—	—
	Pag^{s}.	2215	14	—

Agreed one thousand Pagod^{s}. be advanced him to defray Charges Garrison.

M^{r}. William Martin Sea Customer pay's into Cash one thousand Pagod^{s}. on Acco^{t}. Sea Customs.

Peter de Pomar &c^{a}. Arrack Farmer pays into Cash the sum̃ of Four hundred Pagod^{s}. on that Account.

Agreed that Two thousand Pagodas be advanced to Mess^{rs}. Raworth, Frederick and Davenport towards paying for the Present designed for King Shaw Allum &c^{a}.

Agreed that Fifty Pagodas be pay'd Mannangapau for six months Town Conicoplys Duty ending the ultimo October last.

The Petition of the Arrack Farmers against one another now read, ordered that Mess^{rs}. Raworth, Frederick and Hunt examine the premisses and report the same to this Board.

M^{r}. Richard Hunt Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers Account for the month of October last.

Ordered that Jacob Bencole a souldier, and William Cooke of the Gunners Crew are Entertained.

Mess^{rs}. Martin and Raworth Warehousekeepers reads their Warehouse Accounts for the month of Octob^{r}. last.

Whilst in Consultation arrived in this Road the Dispatch Galley Cap^{t}. Cason Comand^{r}. from Bengall who brought us the following Packets which are all now opened and read Viz^{t}.

Generall from the Hon^{ble}. Managers dat^{d}. 17th. April 1708.

Generall from the Hon^{ble}. Managers dat^{d}. 22 April 1708.

Generall from the Secrett Committee dated the 22^{d}. April 1708.

Generall Letter from the Council for United Trade in Bengall dated 8th. November and copy of theirs 5th. October sent overland the Originall not yet come to hand.

Tho: Pitt.
W: Martin.
Rob^{t}: Raworth.
Tho: Frederick.
Rich^{d}: Hunt.

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Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERN^R. & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

FRIDAY 26TH.

Agreed that Three hundred and sixty Pagod^s. be payd M^r. Raworth for one years Interest of 4000 Pag^s. ending 20^th. Instant.

M^r. William Martin Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of October last.

Custom on Goods Imported and exported this month ...	Pag^s.	1149 : 13 : 40
Custom on Grain		172 : 11 : 32
Anchorage		63 : 18 : —
	Pag^s.	1385 : 6 : 72

and pays into the R^t. Hon^ble. United Companys Cash One Thousand Pagod^s. on that Account.

Ponagetto Narso &c^a. Tobacco and Beetle ffarmers pay's into Cash Five hundred eighty three Pag^s. 12^fa. on y^t. Acco^t.

The President pay's into the R^t. Hon^ble. United Companys Cash the sum of Forty Pagodas for two Quometys who were ordered by Consultation to be punished for buying the Cloth the Boatmen stole out of the Bales sent on board the Dutchess, which had the Companys chop upon it, but agreed since that they should be pardon the punishment upon paying the aforesaid sum.

Generall Letter to the Hon^ble. Managers dat^d. [*lacuna*] designed by the Dispatch Galley now read, as also a Letter to S^r. Thomas Cooke &c^a. Secrett Committee.

The ffollowing Generall Letters received were now read Viz^t.

From the Deputy Govern^r. and Council of ffort S^t. David dat^d. 18 Nov^r.

ffrom M^r. Noden at Metchlepatam dated 10^th. Instant advising of his drawing 2 Bills of Exchange on us one to M^r. Martin for Pag^s. 100 : 4. one to Kittee Timapa Pa. 300 which are agreed to be pay'd.

Ordered that Marck Cornelius, Manuel Robero, John de Almado Topasses are Entertaind Souldiers in y^e. Garrison.

The Company having ordered in their Letter now received that we should make preparations for the speedy returne of their expected Ships, which in a great measure we have already done, but not knowing what Ships they may send for Bengall more then formerly expected : Tis agreed that we write to Fort S^t. David to the Deputy Governour and Council there to provide the Following Goods, and if they can't provide them all by the last of January, that then they doe it in proportion to each Sort.

Peices	
5000.	LONGCLOTH ordinary White.
5000.	DITTO BROWNE.
2000.	DITTO FINE.
4000.	SALLAMPORES Ordinary White.
4000.	DITTO BROWNE.
3500.	DITTO MIDDLING.
2000.	DITTO FINE.

Agreed to take up Ten thousand Pagodas at Interest for the carrying on the Investment now ordered at Fort S^t. David, as the Deputy Governour and Council there shall advise they want the same.

THO : PITT.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^T : RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.
RICH^D : HUNT.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATTURDAY 27TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

The ffollowing Generall Letters all dated yesterday were now read and approved Vizt.

To the Generall and Council of Bombay.
To the Governour and Council of Anjengo.
To the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David.
To Mr. Noden at Metchlepatam.
To the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam.
To the Council for the United Affairs in Bengall.

The ffollowing LIST is given to Collaway & Vinkettee Chittees who now Agree to provide what they can of the same by the last of January upon last Years Prizes.

Peices	
360	LONGCLOTH Ordinary White.
1000	DITTO BROWNE.
440	DITTO FINE
660	SALLAMPORES Ordinary White.
1000	DITTO FINE
340	DITTO MIDDLING.
600	GINGHAMS 40 COVEDS.
3100	ORINGALL BETTEELAES.
1000	DITTO of 24 COVEDS.
1000	DITTO FINE of said Length.
2720	MOOREES Ordinary.
400	DITTO FINE.
400	DITTO for PAINTINGS.
440	NECKCLOTHS 16 to the PEICE.
600	— 12 to the PEICE.
2000	— 10 to the PEICE.

Agreed to allow Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees the following Prizes for 3400 Peices Neckcloths brought into ye. Warehouse.

No 1. at Pagods. 19 ₱ Corge.
2. at Pagods. 17½ ₱ Corge.
3 at Pagods. 16 ₱ Corge.

Agreed to write Mr Noden at Metchlepatam to incourage the Merchants there to provide the Following Goods, and send up hither when we'l buy them with ready money, the same to be Ship'd off there in the Companys name, and what we Agree for to be Custom free.

Peices	
3000.	PERCULLAES Ordinary.
1000.	DITTO FINE.
2400.	ALLEJARS.
1000.	COLLAWAPOOSE.
1400.	SACERGUNTEES.
1000.	SADERRUNCHERAES.
400.	GOACONCHERROLAES.
3000.	CHINTS BRAMPORE.
2000.	ROMALLS SACERGUNTEES.
500.	ROMALLS BENGALL.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
THO: FREDERICK.
ROBT: RAWORTH.
RICHD: HUNT.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERN^R. & PRESIDENT. MONDAY 29^TH.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

M^r. Girling the Purser about Three this afternoone coming from the Ship Mountegue Capt^t. Stoacks Comander fallen to Leward of this Port beyond S^t. Thoma, and the New moon, being in a day or two think it adviseable to unload her Treasure, and ordered that the Warehousekeep^rs. goes this syde S^t. Thoma to receive the same, and Twenty Souldiers with forty Peons to guard it hither, and that the Letter Enter'd after this Consultation be wrott him.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICH^D: HUNT.

TO CAP^T. JAMES STOACKS COM^R.
OF SHIP MOUNTEGUE.

We congratulate your safe arrivall insight of this Port, and should have taken it kindly had you wrott us a Letter signifying your circumstances in all respects ; You are come in a criticall juncture for bad weather, we expecting it this New Moone as not having any this year, and if you find it coming on 'twould be your best way to put to sea, and upon every slatch of wind make the best of your way to the Northward that soe you may have this Port to Freind after it is over, for 'tis impossible for you to goe for Bengall till the latter end of February soe to prevent runing the great risgoe that otherways you must of the Companys Estate on board you, we here send you Ten Boats on which we order you to Load on board each Five Chests of the Companys Treasure and commit to the care of one of the Gunners Crew and a Peon that is on each Boat, who we have ordered to Land it a little on this syde S^t. Thoma, where are Two of our Councill with Souldiers to conduct it hither, and if there is not Buoys and Buoy Ropes enough, pray supply them when care shall be taken to returne them, and if after the New Moon, there is not a slatch of wind to bring you into this Road, we will unload the remainder of your Cargoe, or if these Boats have time tomorrow to make two trips on board you, we would have you send w^t. Bales of Broad Cloth you can, if you know those that are Fine first, and we have sent Tarpaulings for that service.

THOMAS PITT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

FORT S^T. GEORGE
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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT. DECEMBER MONDAY 6^TH.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

The Treasure of the Mountegue being unladen as formerly ordered and fforty one Bales of Broad cloth, Tis agreed that an Order (as Entered after this Consultation)

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be given to Capt. Stoacks to send his Purser off to fetch ashore the Bengall Packet for the Invoice in order to weigh the Treasure into the Mint, and to take Copys of what necessary in the Packet to be sent forthwith overland to Bengall.

Ordered that Messrs. Martin and Raworth Warehousekeepers doe view the Bales of Broadcloth come on the Mountegue in the presence of the Comander & Purser and report the Damages.

Agreed one thousand Pagods. be advanced Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD: HUNT.

TO CAPT. JAMES STOACKS COMR.
OF SHIP MOUNTEGUE.

You are hereby ordered to send for ashore the Packet on board you from the Honble. Managers Directed to their Council in the Bay of Bengall taking care that it be up in a tarpauling, and well Buoyed.

THOMAS PITT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

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6TH. Ship Chindadree belonging to Collaway Chittee arrived here from Armagon.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 7TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

This day we opened the Honble. Managers Packet by the Mountegue to their Council in Bengall when delivered the Invoice to the Warehousekeepers, who are ordered to deliver Thirty five Chests into the Mint to be forthwith coined, and to be weighed off in the presence of themselves Mr. Frederick and two assaymasters.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD: HUNT.

Dispatched by Pattamarr a Packett [*a few words lost*].

13TH. Riseing Sun Smack arrived in this Road frô Vizagapm.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT. MONDAY 13TH.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Some days past the Governour was advised by his spye Braminy in the Country, that the Peons we sent with our Petition to the King, and Letters to the Great men were returned to Coorpau with answers thereto, and the Kings Surpau, and the 11th. Instant two of the six Peons came hither who confirmed the same, and brought a Letter from Auga Mackeem who advised the Governr. thereof, as also the Contents of a Letter he had received from the Lord High Steward, both which were now read and are as Entered after this Consultation, and yesterday morning Auga Mackeem came himself to the Governr. when acquainted him he had left the other Four with the Husbulhookum, Surpau &ca. Perwannas at Triveltore whither 'twas necessary for the Governour and Council with all Europeans and Natives to goe and receive ym. with the usuall Ceremonys practiced in these Kingdoms on the like occasion, soe 'tis Agreed that the Council and all the Inhabitants attend the Governour on Horseback about Two this afternoone to receive the same, and immediatly again returne with him to the Fort in order to fire the Canon necessary for such a Solemnity and the Mountegue being near the Road the Commander was sent for, and ordered to Fire 31 Guns, and to have the like quantity of Powder returned him out of the Stores.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash for the month of November last Ballance being Pagods. 2931:30.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for the month of November last and pays into Cash the sum of fforty three Pagods. 7 fa. : 40 ca. for Custom on Gold coined in the Mint.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer pays into Cash ye. sum of one thousand Pagods. on Accot. Sea Custom.

Mr. Thomas Frederick Land Customer reads his Land Custom Accot. for the month of November last Vizt.

		PAG.	FAS.	CA.
Choultry Custom	Pags.	115 :	— :	27
Rubie Brokers		131 :	33 :	78
Town Brokers		1 :	10 :	...
Registring Slaves		— :	32 :	
		249 :	4 :	25

and pays into Cash Five hundred Pags. on that Accot.

Agreed that one thousand Pags. be advanced Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

The Warehousekeeprs. report they have weighed 35 Chests of silver, and find them to Agree with the Invoice.

Agreed Ramma Linga be Entertained Cheif Conicoply at the Choultry, in ye Roome of him who was lately turned out.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
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THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD: HUNT.

———*FORT ST. GEORGE. DECEMBER 1708*———

From Aga Mookeem,
Reca. 11th December 1708.

All health lately Zoode Cawn sent your Honr. a Husbulhockum and Tashereef from the King by his own Chubdarr and six Peons, and has alsoe informed me of the whole business which I here inclose which when Translat'd your Honour may observe the Contents, you doubtless know the Custom to be observed when you Receive the Kings Tashereef, On Sunday I shall come to your Place, and wait upon your Honour and informe you of the whole matter which will be very acceptable news to you, please to advise whether I shall stay out of the Town with the Tashereef or come to your Honour and leave the Tashereef, and where your Honr. will receive it, there is along with me 2 Mogulls and twelve Peons, so desire your Honour would please to order your Mettas to permitt them to come in.

From Zoode Cawne Lord High Steward of King Shaw Allums Household to Aga Mookeem,
Dated 29th. October 1708.

The King is now at Saufrabauda bidder, and continues his marches daily and in a short time will reach Gulcondah when I beleive the troubles will be appease'd.

The Governour of Chinapatam's Petition is arrived which have presented to the King by Caun Canaun, who ordered him to remember him of it when he is arrived at Gulcondah about the Phirmaund which he promises to Grant as requested, and upon my desire he has Granted Tashereifs and an Husbulhookum about some other busyness to the Governour with Caun Caunauns Seal, which he has ordered me to send which have sent by my faithfull Chubdarr Cossee, but if Mulla Moraud and Hodgee Mahomud are gone from you before this arrives you may carry it, and leave the Tashereif at the Mount, and goe yourself to the Governour and show my Lettr. and tell him that he should goe to the Mount and receive it with all manner of respect as accustomary and put on the Cloths, which when received he ought to send an answere to the Husbulhookum with his Presents for him and the Princes and all the Great Omrahs, with all hast possible, and the Governour must take care to obey what mentioned in the Husbulhookum before the Presents and Petition are arrived the whole business will be finished: I have wrott to the Governour what things will be acceptable, and he will act accordingly, and whatever I advised ought not to be published till the settling of this business, if Mulla Moraud and Hodgee Mahomud are with you, you must all goe to the Governour, and goe along with him to ye. Mount and act according to my advice, because 'tis extraordinary business ; I have used my utmost endeavours with ye. King on the Governours behalf, if he sends Presents to the Amount of Fifteen or twenty thousand Rups. his business will be done effectually, and he will get twice or thrice that value from the King, Princes and Omrahs, in Horses, Tashereefs &ca. soe he must not be troubled at the sum̃ for 'twill be for his Honour and Interest, if he sends more the reward will be his.

You may acquaint the Governour that I have given my utmost assistance to their Company in this business, and shall continue so to doe, and be sure to tell him that this is the time for the English Nation to get whatever they desire and other Merchants.

The Governour should Petition the King to destroy the Pyrats Mulla Abdull Fuzeel will come from Gulcondah to the Governour with the Tashereef formerly delivered him, and I will procure Horse wth. Gold Furniture, to be sent you with it, and pray give him your assistance in the Pegue business, I am informed that the King of Pegue has sent his ship, with their Embassadors of which pray advise me.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ.[R] GOVERN[R]. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

THURSDAY 16[TH].

Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated 7[th]. December now read advising of their having drawn a Bill of Exchange on us for Pag[s]. 4021. Viz[t]. one to the President for Pa. 700 one to Kittee Timapau for 300 Pa. one to the Owners of the Syam Merch[t]. for 3021 which are agreed to be pay'd.

The Mountegue this day having warped into y[e]. Road, and as yet neither of the three Ships the Comp[a]. designs for this Port being arrived, 'tis agreed that w[th]. all expedition we dispatch her for England, and ordered that the Warehousekeepers forthwith unload all Goods Laden on her from England, & as the Captain shall desire it send on board his Redwood and Salt Petre according to Charterparty and so many Bales as will Load him reserving roome for the Kents Tea.

The Governour produced this day the Translates of the Kings Husbulhookum &c[a]. Perwañas from Cawn Bahauder, Cawn Caunaun, and Zoode Cawn Lord High Steward, which were all now read, and are as Entered after this Consultation, the consideration of which is deferred a day or two.

THO : PITT.
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HUSBULHOOKUM.

LET the Chosen of his Cast, the Head of his Nation Honour Thomas Pitt Englishman Governour of Chinapatam, know that he may be in hopes of the Kings Favour. The Letter which he sent in answere to his Majestys Husbulhookum, expressing his sincerity and faithfullness; and his desire of a Phirmaund from his Majesty is arrived. And the Petition being Presented before the bright and refulgent Eyes of the King, who is the Cherisher of the world, & Lord of the seven Climates, was the occasion of making known the constancy of his faithfull service, and the increase of the Kings Favour (whom the world obeys) towards him, The purport of the requests he writt to the Vazeer Zoode Cawn was by way of Petition made known to the King. There is a Vest of Honour Graciously sent him from the Throne of Beneficence and Grace. By the Mercy of God the Royall Tents spreading like the Heavens will remove towards [a] Dar Ul Gehad in a little time. As to the coming forth of a Phirmaund, Lett him be of good courage, It will be Granted to his requests. As to the business of Trade He may set his heart at rest.

[a] Golcondah.

He shall do the best of his Endeavours to stop up the wayes from Metchlepatam, and all other Sea Ports on that side, and to forbid all Ships and other Vessells in the Surest manner he can. And to this purpose he shall write in the strictest manner to his Gomastahs that if Mahomud Cawn Bux should have a design to fly by way of the Sea, that they will not let him be able to do it, But do their Endeavours to deliver him killed, or a Prisoner into the hands of Power. And he shall use endeavours, that travellers may pass in safety in those Parts, and Trade to and fro in quiett and unmolested; And herein he shall shew all the Duty and service he is able and according to his good service he may expect a Retribution. Writt the 9[th]. of Shaban the Great in the Second year of the Kings Reign.

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FROM CAWN BAHAWDER TO THE
GOVERNOUR OF CHINAPATAM.
REC^{d}. 13th. DECEMBER 1708.

To the Chosen of his Cast, the Head of his Nation, The Exemplar of his people, The Cheif of his Tribe, The great among those that are in favour, and the Sincere of Freinds, Thomas Pitt of Chinapatam Englishman, Be it known, That the writing which he sent with a Petition to the Throne of Greatness and Power did arrive. And the Petition was presented before y^{e}. bright and resplendent Eyes of his Majesty. In regard, that Chosen of his Cast, hath not as yet sent a Present to his Majesty upon his accession to (sitting upon) the Sacred Throne, resembling the throne of Heaven; The Royall Phirmaund in the name of that Exemplar of his people is not come forth. It must be that he send a Present, that is suitable; that at the coming forth of a Royall Phirmaund, and the Graces of the Imperiall Throne (whose Dignity is eternall) he may rejoyce; hold up his head more then this, what is left to write.

FROM ZOODE CAWN LORD HIGH
STEWARD OF KING SHAW ALLUMS
HOUSEHOLD TO THE GOVERNOUR OF
CHINAPATAM.

RECEIVED THE 13th. DECEMBER 1708.

LORD OF POWER, and a NUMEROUS PEOPLE, and my BEST OF FREINDS.

MAY the Gentle breath of the Divine Grace, and the Beneficence of the Throne of Majesty, and Providence, Protect the State and States of your Magnificence and Magnanimity; and refresh the Garden of your thoughts and safety.

After the highest degree of Freindship and affection which hath no bounds; Be pleased to know, that your Letter containing your reciprocall ffreindship within these few days made known, together with your Petition to the Throne, the refuge of mankind, the Place where Kings pay their Devotion at, and your Petitions to his Excellency [a]Nabob Jumlat Ulmulk, [b]Muddar Ulmaham, [c]Chan Channan [d]Bahadar, [e]Zepher Jang, [f]Vefadar, and therein also your answere to the Kings Sacred Husbulhukum. And your Petition to the Nabob Backshee Mummalick, i. e. Backshee of the whole Empire, Amir ul Omrae, arrived in a happy time, And the Petition by means of Muddar Ulmaham (the Prime Minister) was presented before those standing about the Royall Throne, and passed the bright and sacred look. And because of the great favour & affection the Kings Majesty had for your Honour, the Bright Throne of Majesty and Grace hath bestowed upon you a Vest of Honour, a Glory and Credit to the Shoulder that wears it; imparting Joy and lustre, exalting the head, and other glorious good things. And of all that wear hatts within the Ports of his Majestys Dominions this favour is first bestowed on you, for that your Hon^{rs}. fidelity (devotion) to the Service of his Majesty, and your well wishes for his prosperity, by the favour of Chan Channan Bahadar, and the kindness of Amir Ul Omrae, and by the good endeavours of this your wellwisher, being constantly represented to the Sacred Throne, your Honour of all those that wear Hatts in the Degree of good service and sincerity, and also of understanding appeared the first. And by these means the favours of the Royall Throne were bestowed on you. And according to your desires the matters of Trade, and the flourishing of the Sea Ports by the Blessing of God and the Kings Power will be as it ought. It is necessary you return thanks for soe great a favour, and that, according as we were wont to discourse by way of Freindship and Familiarity, when together, to the purpose that care should be taken for the flourishing of the Sea Ports, and securing of the ways by sea, and the passing to and fro of Merchants of all Countrys; particularly that the passing to and fro of Musslemen, Europeans and other people be secured, you would see it done. And the Petitions you send upon this subject Viz^{t}. for the safety and security of the ways by sea, and y^{e}. flourishing of his Majestys Ports; must sett forth before the Throne of Greatness and Power, How within these few years, a great quantity of the wealth of Musslemen

a The Nabob of the whole Empire. b Prime Minister. c Cawn of Cawns. d The Valiant. e The Victorious. f The ffaithfull.

by men set on mischief without any reason hath been plundered and made away with; and likewise what Losses Europeans have suffered, which yourselfknows very well so that it is expedient for well minded men such as your Hon[r]. is, to bend their whole thoughts for the removing of this mischief. That the ways by Sea should be in this confusion, and the going and coming of Ships stop'd, Judge in yourself what it is. And by that mean's what great Losses Chinapatam hath suffered in particular. Blessed be God the Lord of all, that his Majestys Angel-like care extendeth over all States of men, small as well as great, in doing of Justice and righteousness, in shewing of Mercy, in spreading his Loving kindnesses, and like the Sun, in Cherishing the least motes, and in making much of the Poor and Stranger. In like manner the Kings Royall sons Jahan and reJahaman Jumlat Ulmulk, Muddar Ulmaham. Bachshihee Mummalick, Amir Ul Omrae, and the rest of the Ministers of the Throne of Greatness and Power spend all their asspiring thoughts on the Flourishing of the Citys, and making the State of their People easy. His Majesty hath given an order that after his arrivall at HyderAbad[a], The Gracious Phirman, and your requests shall have the Honour of being Granted. To this effect the Kings Husbulhookum containing some other points, and an answere to your Petition to the Nabob Jumlat Ulmulk Chan Channan Bahadar, Zepher Jang, Vefadar, being come forth will arrive you. In regard of the good and sincere service of your faithfull self, This favour is particularly bestowed on you. It is therefore necessary that according to the way good subjects walk in, yourself walk in the same. The very moment this Husbulhookum arrives you, you are to write to all the Sea Ports, whether belonging to English or to others, where they have a Factory; And to all others, French, Dutch &c[a] Chargeing them strictly to perform, as therein is directed. And for so doing Lett them know, that their reward shall be in the highest degree. And as to an Answere to the Royall Husbulhookum, and the request you shall have to make, Lett it be after the manner that your wellwisher according to your desire hath writt to you in a seperate Paper, Viz[t]. the List of Presents and another; and after the way and Custom of the Derbarre, and the way of carrying on of business there. Let a Petition and Present to the King, to his Highness Jumlett Ulmulk and to the Bachshee Mummalick be sent, and in all respects your thoughts may be at easie. For that by the Blessings of God, all matters will be accomplished according as our Freinds and well wishers would have them your Petition to his Highness Omeer Ul Omrae arrived; the answere to it I have sent, it will come to your hands, what shall I adde more, but my desire to see you. may all matters end well and happyly.

[a] Gulcondah.

HON[BLE]. S[R].

Abul ffazel who hath been Entertaind to goe from his Majesty to Pegue, will have his dispatches from the Throne, and be sent away immediatly after the arrivall in HydarAbad, that being arrived in Chinapatam he may goe whither he is bound. The rest which is ordered to goe by Abull Fazel, likewise with it by the same hand perhaps may goe a Horse with a Gold Furniture, We have heard that in persuance to what your Honour writt, The ZameenDar[a] of Pegue had sent a Person and a Ship for Chinapatam to wait on Abul ffazel and carry him thither. If this be true, pray advise of it, and write away presently an answere to all affairs in the same manner as I write you and send a Petition and Piscash to the King. Know that the favours of the Good and Great King spread over you more and more. It is necessary you let noe man know the Contents of the Husbulhookum under the seal of the Nabob Jumlut Ulmulk; And in like manner the Paper I writt you apart, let it be read in private and accordingly, having well considered of it send an answere.

[a] King.

A LIST OF WHAT PROPER FOR A PRESENT.

As to what you writt relating to a Pishcash what would do best. If it were a Present to consist of some Lacks, what can be better then ready money, Jewells, as Rubies, Diamonds &c[a]. But for the Present, for the Pishcash you are to send take the ffollowing List.

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As to the Present for the King there are things proper in this List, and you may send them. And for the Kings sons, & Omrahs likewise, Your Honour deals in Merchant affairs and you must send of the Raritys of all Countrys. In the lofty Eyes of Princes of what value are whole Kerores. You will doe well to send Raritys, and they will be accepted.

Birds of the Sorts, of Manila Parrots, Newries, Cocatores &c^a^. or of any sort or kind, that can speak; of a good colour and shape. Birds with copple crowns, and of other fashions.

Broad Cloth of the Finest sort, Perpetuanoes, Sarges &c^a^. of every colour and of every sort a good many.

Of Silks, Europe, and China, ZerBaftaes, Brocades of good Colour and good fashions.

Allso Europe Vellvetts, Atlasses, and Japan ware of any kind or sort.

Lacker'd Vessells and Porcelane, Scrutores, Targetts & Calamdanes &c^a^. you may send; also Lackerd Scrutores sett with Mother of Pearle.

China Ware whatever is Rare and Fine of any kind or sort, the older the better; The Dishes called Ghoorees which break when Poyson is put into them, will be very acceptable, you must by all means send some of them Small Bowles; Coffee Cups, Muggs &c^a^. a good many.

Glass ware Flint, as Glass bottles with long necks, Glass cupps and Bowles, Glass Lanthornes, Looking Glasses large and small, Drinking Glasses of Flint, Hookaes of severall Colours, and Hookaes plain, Ditto with Gold or Silver Flowers made in Venice and England, a good quantity of each sort.

Boxes with clock work, China Skreens with clock work both Painted and with images; Images and Juncks y^t^. goe with clock work &c^a^. Raritys of this kind & fashion will doe.

Gold and Silver plate Manilha work (Philigreen) Vessells of Silver, Gold plate enamell'd, Europe worke; if to be had will do.

Flowers of Silk of Shells &c^a^. done according to Art, are also good.

Europe fusees, one or two small feild peices &c^a^. Gunn[s] will not be amiss.

Swords the best of the best Longsticks for pikes, and Lances of Cane &c^a^.

Orange Trees in potts, which Merchants bring from Pegue, Atcheen, China &c^a^. if any to be had, please to send them they will do mighty well. Or if any Flower Trees or fflower plants be brought from Europe at this time in potts, Let them be sent they will be proper.

Persia Carpetts large and small Namads dashagge large and small.

Childrens play things that are very fine of what kind soever you may send.

Tapestry hangings or Curtains Europe wrought with Figures &c^a^. If there be any Europe spreadings, in the nature of Carpetts or Shetteringes (Europe worke) finely wrought with figures; or in the nature of skreens, curtains, or Curtains before a Doore that will looke well at a distance, they will doe.

A Good Elephant, A Good Horse, Atcheen Horses, the best of the best, and Bengall Horses will also doe.

Good peices of Ambergrease will doe extreamly well; and is the best of all things.

Clocks and watches that stricke or have Chimes, you must by all means send.

Black lead and Red lead pencills of Europe.

Sea Coco Nutts the best of the best.

For a Nazer (Present) to the King upon his accession to the Throne, a good Rubie, a good Topase (Busarack) a good Sapphire, or if it be an Emerald Ring, or a Serpeechah (a head band) or a Giegha (a Jewell sett upright on the Crown of the

head) to the amount of Five or six thousand rupees; if you send it will doe well; and it will not be Lost, for you will receive in proportion which will be a retribution.

Again of the severall kinds of spices, as Cinnamon, Cloves Nutmeggs and their Oyles; if you send they are proper. Likewise, Raritys of Europe, of China, of Cathay, of Persia &c[a]. Countrys (Hindostan excepted) are all Proper. Vessells, aftabahs (ostos) of white Copper, which they bring from China that are well made.

Of the Kings Rosewaters, The best of the best of Europe Rosewaters; such as you used to send to Dowed Cawn, & other Sorts of Persia &c[a]. you must send along with the Present. Two or three great men desire it mightily, and gave orders about it, what this means let no man know.

In all To the King a Present.
To the Kings sons Aalam Aalamean Ditto Viz[t].
To 1. Jahan Dar Shah Bahadar
2. Azeem Ushan Bahadar
3. Rafiah Ushan Bahadar
4. Jahan Shah Bahadar
also
To the Nabob of the whole Empire, Caun Caunaun Bahadar, Zepher Jang Vefadar
alsoe
To the Buxee of the whole Empire Ameerul Omrae &c[a]. to the amount of Ten or twelve thousand Rup[s].

The Nazers or Presents, considering the business you have, must not be less. All your business by the grace of God will goe according to your wishes. For from each of the Persons before mentioned, your Honour will receive twice or thrice the kindness. You have business in Bengall, in Suratt, and in all Parts of the Empire, The good countenance and acquaintance of each of them is expedient for the present time, what I have to add a Disire to see you.

From Zoode Cawn Lord High Steward
of King Shaw Allums Household
to the Govern[r] of Chinapatam.
Rec[d]. 13[th]. December 1708.

Great S[r]: and the strength of my Armes.—

You writt to have inserted in the Phirmân that shall come forth, that none shall stop, or hinder the carrying away of such Goods or Plank as shall come ashore, in case any of your Merchants Ships be Cast away. Also your requests for taking off the Customs on all your Goods, that shall pass from Chinapatam to HyderAbad and Vizapore, also your desire to have put into your hands Meilapore and Trevetore, which lyes to the Northward. Allsoe the taking away all the Choukies about Chinapatam, which for some years past have been very many. All this was represented to the King, and allso made known to the Nabōb [a] Jumlat Ulmulk Muddar Almeham; And the Kings order came forth, that after his arrivall in Hyderabad[b] it should be done, and Jumlat Ulmulk also promised the same. In fine, untill the arrivall of your Pishcash, and your engaging for the other affair the raising of the Rents, the whole Revenues of each Place, the Pishcash certain for every year. And to y[t]. effect what Pishcash will you agree to give the first year, and your engagement for the whole (i.e. the whole you will engage to give) what will it amount to? and in what nature you make your Petition; untill these things be represented to the King; all your Seeking will be in vain.

[a] Nabob of ye. whole Empire and Prime Minister. [b] Gulcondah.

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But to declare your wellwisher his opinion in y^e. matter, and what I think of your business, In regard tis the begining of the Kings happy Reign, and his Majestys sacred thoughts do cheifly regard the well governing and the case of his people and subjects, and the flourishing of his Kingdoms ; It is necessary in the first place that your Honour do endeavour the effecting of that business, for which the Husbulhookum was issued forth. If that cannot be done Let so much be done, as that your good service may recommend you. and after the Letter thanks, which you shall write to his Majesty for the Present of Vest, & his Highness Jumlat Ulmulk ; Lett it be your Request. that since for severall years last past by reason of the troubles given to Europeans in Suratt, and by the stop put to Trade great Damages have accrued to Merchants, I am now in hopes, that of your benevolence and goodness, the business of Trade may be carryed on in all Ports, as it was wont to be before those troubles of Suratt, and that the requests I have to make may be accepted ; I will be security for the Passages by Sea, that such Ships, as shall goe to Persia, Kaabut Ulla (Mocha) [(a)] &c^a. nobody shall meddle with them, and that the Merchants of all Countrys shall goe and come without any molestation, and if at any time a Ship shall happen to be taken, I will either find out the Goods, or else be answereable for the same. At this time by means of the wellwisher of mankind a Phirmand and a Changer have been sent to the Governour of Muscatt, that according to former Customs the Men and Ships of Muscatt may freely goe and come to Suratt ; and that they may forbear their Custom of setting upon and hindering such as would pass that way. In like manner the Dutch by means of AmanatChan are allowed to Act, as was Customary heretofore. In fine the time is now come, that your thoughts should be perfectly at ease, as to these things, and your Honour also to come in and in due season let them endeavour, that in all the Ports of the Kings Empire, no Europe Nation whatsoever but the English shall have either Power or Credit ; and such a thing at this time with a little endeavour may be accomplished. The year that his late Majesty went on his Journey to Setara, all the English Nation Presenting themselves before the Throne, Requested some Ground near Metchlepatam to build a small Fort & Factory upon. Now that there is that firm freindship and familiarity between us ; and my thoughts are sett on the quietness of Gods people, the flourishing of the Sea Ports, and that Merchants of all parts may arrive in safety to the places they are bound for and by all means to tye up the hands of injurious men from hurting of Gods Servants. It is my desire for your sake having regard to the Freindship between us, and y^e. Credit of your Honour, that of all those that were Hatts, what Nation soever they be of, none whatever should be able to appear. I write without either Interest or design whatever is done for the securing of the ways by Sea, & allso for putting of an end to these evills, and that the Goods of Gods people may not be plunder'd and destroyed The endeavours which your valiantness shall use here shall have their reward (Good and happy days) in this world and in the next. It is request herein you exert your utmost.

The manner of the times, and the manner of the men at Court, are not as heretofore, as to aim only at their own good, and not to seek the good (flourishing) of their Citys, and the ease of their Subjects. And now that your old Freind is at Court, whatever things freindship and acquaintance do oblige us to ; I must by all means doe these things for you my acquaintance and my Freind. The very moment the Vest of Honour shall arrive you and the Kings Husbulhookum you must write a Letter (Petition) of thanks for the Vest presented you, and whatever is customary by way of homage and service and in regard it is the begining of the Kings happy reign you must send a Present according to your present ability either by way of Metchlepatam, if the Monsoon Serves, or else along with the Nabob Dowed Cawn, or by way of Kuhmum, which is the nearest way to HyderAbad. And according to the List sent you apart, and a Present of whatever shall be procureable. And let your Petition as to those things you have to request be writt to this purpose. That having regard to the flourishing of the Sea Ports in his Majestys Dominions, I am in hopes that English Fact[ories] may be settled in all the Ports of the Sacred Empire, and that they may without any molestation mind the business of their Trade : And

(a) Evidently Mecca.

in regard that the Port of Meilapore adjoyning to Chinapatam, and that indeed both Ports are one and the same, and by reason of Merchants paying Customs at two Places, and the Chonkies kept at Chinapat[m]. by the people of the Jageerdars, and the Diwans, contrary to former Custom (which are plainly extortion of Dutys) there are continuall Outcrys, and the Ports are utterly ruined and destroyed ; It would be a great favour, if we might have the Port of Meilapore and the Village of Trivetore, which is adjoining granted to us, being Places that by reason of their nearness to the Sea, produce neither Green trade (Garden herbs and Fruit) nor Corn. And if you would Petition for a Town or small Village, say it is ; two or three Villages in the Neighbourhood of Chinapatam and Milliapore, by way of a Grant and Rent Free ; there is noe harm in it ; And moreover In whatever Place within the Ports of his Majestys Dominions, towards the parts of Metchlepatam, Bengall &c[a]. you shall have a mind to settle Factorys, you may doe it after the same manner, ffor the Rent you must engage that the first year I will advance this much ; the second this, and the third this upon the whole (Rent) as pay your Piscash as Customary. And you shall (become engaged) engage for securing the ways by Sea, begining at the parts of Suratt to the parts of Bengali and Chinapatam. The Kings Officers such as the Khazee, the Kateeb &c[a]. for publick Prayers, and to pray for the Kings Long Life, and prosperity, it will be requisite to have. To declare your well wisher his opinion in the matter it seems to me that your business will be effected. And if in effecting of it you should be at some Charge, there is no harm in it. And in a little time the hands of all Europeans will be tyed up from the Trade of Hindostan and in all these Ports there shall noe Factorys remain but those of the English only. If you should also have a mind to the Port of Pollicatt, it will be given you, and an order shall be issued out to the Phousdar there to take the Fort and deliver it to the English. That you should desire the Port of Pollicherry which belongs to the French, is doubtless requisite, for in regard of the difference between the French and English, that the French should have a Fort there can be of noe advantage. At that time y[t]. your well visher was in the Carnatta, I heard it spoake, and by very many, that they for that reason had built a ffort at Pollicherry, that if they should be so minded they might take Tevenapatam, and be possest of a Place, where assistance, Provissions &c[a]. might be readily brought them. This also is a consideration worth your thinking on, Att this time the troubles by Sea are not so very great. The Muskatters are satisfyed ; and the Dutch have content given them. And your Honour may likewise effect it by these ways, Viz[t]. by procuring of the Peace, the quiett, and the safety of the ways by Sea, which will produce the well being of the people, cause the Sea Port[s] to flourish, and make the ways open. By this means all your Requests (Affairs will be effected according to your hearts desire. And matters by the Blessing of God (according as your Honour would have them) and the flourishing of tne Sea Ports will be accomplished.

Along with your Piscash for the King it is requisite and necessary that you send a Present and a token to the Kings sons Jahan and Jahanian. [a]To Jamlet Ulmulck Cawn Caunaun Bahadar, To the[b] Buxee Mummalick Amir UlOmraee ; and the[c] Buxee Ulmulk Chaun Zeman Bahadar, o thethird Buxee which is the son of Jumlat Ulmulk, and Cawn Saman (Lord High steward).

Moreover Let there be something of all the sorts that you send, sent along with the rest, that in case there should be necessity for it in another Place, it may be given as time and occasion shall require and if not 'twill not come [to] Loss, for in the Camp 'twill sell for double the value (ten for twenty) and for the Persons you send with the Present, Lett them be men of understanding [and] Judgement ; but let it not be an Armenian or a Mogull. Of Brahmins (those) that have seen business and been in business, and of Europeans those that have seen Persia, and have been a long time in Hindostan, and such a Trusty Person is necessary for the management of these matters, both for to act in (Procurator) and stand responsible (be your sponsor)

(a) To the Nabob of ye whole Empire Caun or Cawns the Valiant.
(b) To the Buxee of all the Kingdoms O mrae of Omraes.
(c) To the Buxee of the Kingdom Cawn Zeman the Valiant.

for affairs before the King. Or suppose a Factory of Merchandize for the Company should be settled here it may be done. And the profit not less then y[t] you sent to sea. Your wellwisher who is your Vakeel at this time will by the help of God bring your business to a good issue. In fine, it is necessary that you have a Vakeel, and this affair also, [...] hath done for [alre]ady hath its charges. At any rate having regard to our Freindship and acquaintance, whatever freindship and intimacy oblige us to, that your wellwisher hath performed in the highest degree, and by the Grace of God will perform. I have sett the stamp of (represented) your Honours Faithfull service, sincerity, & wellwishes for his pro[s]perity in such a manner as it ought to be before the King. It was a great way off the King of the Earth and Age, the Emperour of Hindostan should regard your estate. Doe you yourself consider, what the affairs of the English may arrive to, in all degrees of Hon[r]. or in case they should be able to possess themselves of any Island near the Ports on the Coast of Pegue, Ceilone, Malabar &c[a] if they doe request it, noe doubt but an order will be issued forth for so many Ships of Warr to be got ready in Suratt, Hugly and the parts thereabouts to accompany and assist them ; or such a Place as Kachar and the part on that side, where they may be assisted by Land, they may possess themselves of them. Mans life in this world is only these few days and no more, a man therefore ought to make it his aim to leave a name behind him, that it may be Chronicl'd in Bookes and Historys, That such an one Governour of Chinapatam was so great a man.

And now all will be soon and well done and in a short time, the possessing, settling and ordering of affairs will be effected in such a manner, as it should and ought. Take care that this affair be made known to nobody but such as you trust with your Secretts, for it will beget you enmity. And let your Petition be sent to your wellwisher under your own hand and seal. Your Honour knows that as to my poor self the good of mankind is the obje[ct] and center of my thoughts, and have no Interest nor design. I have lived and will live without grieving & without repenting. Your Honour never writt to your wellwisher about these affairs, nor made any requests. By reason of our ffreindship there hath not a day past from the first time, that at AkbarAbad I had the Hon[r]. of being admitted to pay my devotion to the King, to this very minute, that in discourse your Honours good service, the help and assistance and y[e]. ammunition of all sorts, which came from Chinapatam for the taking of the Forts, and your constant well wishes for his prosperity, hath not been represented to y[e]. King. In very deed you have done all this. And now allso w[t] I request of your Hon[r]. is, that in the present affairs y[ou] exert your best endeavours with your whole thoughts, and strive all that possibly you can, that your Freind-[ship] and acquaintance by your good service may have always the way open to represent your matters before the King, and that at all times I may be able to assist in your business, and it may appear to the King, that whatever I have spoken relating to your Honours good services, was the real truth. And that your Honour may be able to be the authour of great atchievements And that before your King and in all parts of Europe, I may also have a name, that such an one assisted such an one, his Freind, in his affairs after such a manner. And my good Freind also to w[in] a degree of name and Credit shall he arise ? that the Governour of Chinapatam was the authour of all these great Atchievements. What shall I write more No doubt is to be made but you will do, all that y[r]. utmost endeavours can effect. And Let your Letter i.e. Petition to the King be immediatly sent, that after arrivall at Gulcondah, I may use endeavour for the procuring the coming forth of a Phirma[nd].

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATTURDAY 18[TH].

THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]. GOVERNOUR & PRESID[T].

WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.

THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S[t]. David dated 15[th]. Instant now read, advisin[g] of their having made the Contract there according to

our Orders adding 1000 peices of 40 Cov^ds^. and 1000 peices of 50 Cov^ds^. Beteelaes which we agree to, but could get noe abatement by reason of the Dearness of Grain and Cotten.

Ordered that the Warehousekeepers send six Bales Broad cloth, and some Blew Sarges to Fort S^t^. David for the clothing of their Souldiers they having requested.

We having occasion for money to pay off some Debts & to carry on the late Investment made at Fort S^t^. David. 'Tis agreed that the Warehousekeepers sells Ten Chests of silver at sixteen and a half Dollars for 10 Pag^s^. to those y^t^. coine it and 16¼ to those that carry it away.

One of the Chubdars who some months agoe lost his Silver Stick and pay'd for the same twelve Pagod^s^. & since it being found on Goandilla who has been severely whipt round the Town, 'Tis agreed his house be sold or Mortgaged to repay the same.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T^: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICH^D^: HUNT.

Danes Sloop arrived from Bengall. 19.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. GOVERN^R^. AND PRESIDENT. MONDAY 20^TH^.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

The Governour being advised from the Dutch at Pullicatt last night, that there had been seen for two days past Two Ships cruizing off that Port, which being apprehensive they are the two ffrench Ships from Mergee, he had advised Cap^t^. Stoacks immediatly to goe off on board as he did, & this morning as soon as it was light we saw three sail 4 or 5 Leagues to the Northward, upon which 'twas agreed forthwith to send off Ensign Dixon with Sixty Souldiers on board the Mountegue, when also cleared all her men off shore, and wrott a Letter to the Command^r^. and an order to the Ensign as Entered after this Consultation, w^ch^. Ships when they drew nigh the largest we perceived had an English Ensign without the Stoth addition, and Queens Jack and Pendant from which we inferr she was not one of our Ships from Europe, the other had Danes colours, and these two chased a Third being a small ship belonging to an Inhabitant of this Place from Vizagapatam who came safe in tho' they persued her within in a League of this Road when they tacked about to the Northward as near as the wind would permitt and about noone were out of sight.

Peter dePomera &c^a^. Arrac Farmers pays into Cash 400 Pag^s^. on y^t^. Acco^t^.
M^r^. William Martin Sea Customer reads his Acco^t^. for y^e^. month of Nov^r^.
Mess^rs^. Martin & Raworth Warehousekeep^rs^. pay's into Cash 10000 Pag^s^.
Agreed 10000 Pagod^s^. be sent to Fort S^t^. David by Peons overland.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T^: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICH^D^: HUNT.

TO CAP^T^. JAMES STOACKS COM^R^.
OF SHIP MOUNTEGUE.

I here send you sixty Souldiers comanded [by] Ensign Dixon, who is to obey your orders in defence of yo^r^. ship, I wish you could run a warp in that your ship

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may be under some shelter of our Guns, be sure you trust noe Colours, and if they prove to be our Companys ships returne the souldiers. Fort S[t]. George 20[th]. December 1708.

THOMAS PITT.

To ENSIGN DIXON.

You are hereby Commanded to goe on board ship Mountegue with sixty souldiers well equip'd & follow Cap[t]. Stoacks order in defence of his ship, and if the ships in sight proves our Companys, then returne with the souldiers under your Command. Fort S[t]. George 20[th]. of December 1708.

THOMAS PITT.

20. Ship Queen Ann arrived in this Road from Vizagapatam.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 21[ST].

THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Yesterday in the evening we again descryed the Two French Ships standing in with the Shore, which made us apprehensive that they had a design upon the Mountegue, when the Governour writt off a Letter to Cap[t]. Stoacks, as Entered after this Consultation, and this morning as soon as it was light, we saw them again to the Northward in with the Shore, and a small Ship that had fallen with them in the night bound to this Port, which made us apprehensive that they design'd to Cruize some time upon us, so to provide for the worst we came to the ffollowing resolutions, That the Warehousekeepers unload what Bales from Bengall and as much of the Rice and Sugar on the Dispatch Gally as would put her in the prime trim for sailing and rowing, and that the Governour aquips her well in all respects and dispatch her in the dusk of the evening with necessary Instructions to Cruiz to the Northward and some times a trip out to Sea to warne all Ships bound to this Port coming this side Pollicatt, resolved also that we write a Letter to Cap[t]. Stoacks (as Entered after this Consultation) to order him to get ready to sail at a Minutes warning to joine any Europe Ship of the Companys that should appear, to prevent her becoming a pray to the enemy.

It being the Custom of these Countrys to Gratifye very handsomely the Messenger that brings a Vest and a Husbulhookum from the Great Mogull, Tis agreed that there be given to the Person who brought one lately to the Governour three hundred Currant Rupees and y[e]. Paymaster to buy the same, and that he has also given him three yards Scarlet and his Charges till his dispatch.

The Secrett Packet Directed to Bengall was now delivered to the Governour for his drawing out private Instructions for the Mountegues homeward bound sailing.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROB[T]: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICH[D]: HUNT.

To CAP. JAMES STOACKS COM[R].
OF THE MUNTEGUE.

Doubtless you observed what past in y[e]. morning about the Ships that were coming from y[e]. Northward the small Ship that came into our Road, belongs to a Native Inhabitant, and came from Vizagapatam seven day's agoe, and ever since

last night off Pullicat had been chased by the two Ships which he did not in y^e^. least dream were Enemys, one having English Colours and the other Danes, but he prest sail, his Ship being new and was willing to try her sailing, you saw when they came near the road they hauld away again to the North East, and he that was Second Captain of her (who dined with us yesterday) says he knowes the great to be the S^t^. Louis that went to Mergen to fitt, and the other is a small ship that one Boynot is in, who exchanged with an Armenian for that he carryed with him thith r, they seem to resolve to lye to the Northward of this Port, therefore 'tis necessary that you keep the Souldiers aboard,and a strict watch, put your Top chains securely upon your Cables, that they can't come to cutt you loose, and likewise a hauser to heave up your broad syde to them if there be occasion, Barricade well your Quarter deck and let the strength of your Ship be there with small arms, and be sure to give them a very hott reception with your Canon, cross barr, round a patridge, & secure your close quarters, and then I think these two ships can doe you no great harme, I wish you could warp nearer in that we might give you some assistance if any thing should happen ; if you want any thing from y^e^. shore write me, and I shall send it you, as also will write what offers on this occasion. I am

Fort S^r^. George,
20^th^. Decemb^r^. 1708.

S^r^.
Your Hum^ble^ . Servant
Thomas Pitt.

To Cap^t^. Stoacks Comand^r^. of Ship Mountegue.

You see the enemy lyes still to the Northward beleiving they resolve to do us what mischeif they can, and as we expect in some of the Companys ships from Europe every hour, we think it highly necessary that you should get up your yards and Topmasts, and put your ship in a condition to sail at a minutes warning, that soe you may stand out to joine any ships coming in, if your ship is not sail worthy with what you have on board we'l send you off the redwood, but be sure to send every thing of the Comp^a^. ashore except your Iron and Lead, and if you can spare either of them let it be the Iron, if this advice quadrates with your sentiments we'l send you [best] Laskars to call your men. Fort S^t^. George 21^st^. Decemb^r^. [1708].

Thomas Pitt.
William Martin.
Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick.
Richard Hunt.

Yesterday about Ten a clock in the morning the Two ffrench Ships with their prize in Company saild to the southward and at three in the afternoone were out of sight. 22.

The Governour this evening received a Letter from the Cheif of Sadrass advising that there was seen off that place an English Ship, to whom the Govern^r^. immediatly wrott the Following Letter. 23

To the Supra Cargoe or Comand^r^.
of the English Ship riding near
the Seven Pagodas.

S^r^.

I was this evening advised that an English ship was seen off the Seven Pagod^s^. with Eng[lish flags which] occasions my sending you these advices, that on the 20^th^ Instant, we saw two French Ships to the Northward one ffforty and the other Twenty

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Guns who chased a small ship into this Road, and cruized to the Northw^d^. till the 22^d^. when in the morning they took a small ship, and passed by with her to the Southward that noone, so beleive they are gone to Pollicherry and if yours be a Europe ship, or any other value, since the wind will not permitt you to come hither this ten or fifteen days, I beleive your safest way will be to goe to Sadrass and Land your treasure, and what else of value, and immediatly send us an Account what you are, & we'l give you further orders ; what Treasure you Land you must see well Buoy'd, and send some body in the Boats with all the Goods for the boatmen are not to be Trusted. I have given them (I mean the Peon) a note to deliver you first, to know what you are, and not to give this Letter till they are sure you are English, I have also wrott to the Cheif of Sadrass to give you his assistance I am

Fort S^T^. George,
23^d^. December 1708.

S^r^
Your humble servant
Thomas Pitt.

Friday 24^TH^

At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt Esq^R^. Govern^R^. and President.
William Martin. Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. Richard Hunt.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper relades w^t^. Goods were unladen from the Dispatch Gally.

There being two Manilha Horses to be sold for Two hundred and twenty Pagod^s^. 'tis agreed that they are bought for the Companys Account, for that they will have occasion for them, if we are obliged to send English with a Present to the Kings Camp, as we have reason to beleive we shall.

This morning to the Southward appeard in sight a large Ship who came to Anchor about two this afternoon, w^ch^. proved to be the Litchfeild Cap^t^. Lee Comander who is the same that anchored off Sadrassapatam. The Comander came ashore about four in the evening, when brought the Hon^ble^. Managers Packet which was opened and the Generall Letter now read, the List Entered after y^s^. Consultation.

Ordered the Warehousekeepers forthwith unload all the Treasure and Goods now come on the Litchfeild.

Mess^rs^. Martin and Raworth Warehousekeep^rs^. reads their Warehouse Account for the month of November last, and pays into the R^t^. Hon^ble^. Companys Cash Three thousand Pagodas on Account Silver sold.

M^r^. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the month of November last Viz^t^.

Charges Garrison	1069 : 33	signed by mistake.
Charges Generall	317 : 22	
ffortifications & rep^rs^.	173 : 16	
Madapolla^m^. Yatch	2 : 8	
Charges Extraord^ry^.	5 : 14	
Charges Cattle	50 : 33	
Dyet and Allowances	217 : 11	
Stewards Stores	140 : 24	
	1977 : 17	

Tho : Pitt.
W : Martin.
Rob^T^: Raworth.
Tho : Frederick.
Rich^D^: Hunt.

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Mr. Richard Hunt storekeeper reads his storekeepers Account for the month of November last.

The Warehousekeepers &ca. doe now deliver in their report of the Dammage of the Broadcloth now come on ship Mountegue from England, and is as Entered after this Consultation.

THO : PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. : RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.
RICHD: HUNT.

TO THE HONBLE. THOMAS PITT ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL
FOR THE UNITED AFFAIRS IN FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

Pursuant to your order we yesterday in the presence of Captain Stoacks and his Purser view'd the Broadcloth which came by the Mountegue from England, and find the under written Bales Damaged Vzt.

No 732. Containing Popinjahs peices 2 very much damaged ye. remaindr. little.
75. Contain Ditto 2 peices very much damage the rest a little.
92. The whole Bale of Popinjahs intirely damaged.
751. Contain Popinjahs 5 peices very much damaged ye. rest a little.
71. Contain Popinjahs the whole Bale a little Damaged.
102. Contain Ditto one peice very much damaged the rest a little.
85. Contain Ditto two peices very much damaged the rest a little.
252. Contain Popinjahs one peice very much Damag'd ye. rest a little.
20. Contain Aurora the whole Bale very much damaged.
750. Contain Ditto the whole Bale very much Damaged.
23. Contain Scarlet three peices a little Damaged.
58. Contain Perputanoes Nine peices very much damag'd & 3. little.
The two Chests of stuffs are free from any damage at all. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE,
24TH DECEMBER 1708.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.
Your obedient humble Servants

WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.

Danes Sloop arrived in this road from Bengall. 26

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 27TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHRD HUNT.
GULSTON ADDISON.

The Company having mentioned in their Generall Letter the reasons for their giving a Commission to Capt. Gale, which being reported up and down the Town here that the nature of it was different from all Commission given in this Place since the arrivall of the present Governour for which reason he being desireous to see it, and finding it as reported, he detain'd it, and produced it this day in Consultation

that if it was not taken up and a Commission as usually given here, he would not command him, for that on the first dispute & if ever happen'd any, he saw that he was a Gentleman of that such forwardness, that he would be ready to tell him, that he had the Companys Commission as well as him, which must occasion no less then cutting of throats, so to prevent that and other inconveniencys 'tis agreed that his Commission be taken up, and a Lieutenant, given according to Custom.

Mr. Gulston Addison was sent for and acquainted what the Company had wrott in their 71 Paragraph of their Letter now received, who took his place at this board accordingly.

Generall Letter from the Honble. Managers datd. 7th. April ℔ ship Litchfeild was now again read.

One Mulla here being often indisposed and not being able to undergoe the fatigue of Travelling and fearing we shall want one to send to the Kings Camp; Tis agreed that we order the Mulla at Vizagapatam to come up hither with all expedition, hearing that he's a fitt Person for such an occasion.

We resolving to dispatch the Litchfeild in Company with the Mountegue, Tis order'd that the ffollowing Persons goe off on Wednesday morning the 29th. Instant to survey them both, and report what condition they find them in Vizt.

Mr. Robert Raworth.
Capt. Henry Harnet.
Capt. Thomas Gaywood.
Robert Atkinson.
Capt. John Ouldham.

Agreed that the Dispatch Gally be dispatched on Thursday next.

Grain being very dear and the Washers having a great deal of work upon their hands of the Companys they request twelve Garse of Paddy which the Warehouse-keepers are order'd to deliver them at 20 Pagods. ye. Garse.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHD: HUNT.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 30TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.
GULSTON ADDISON.

Mr. William How producing an Authentick power from the Father of Mr. James Loy'd Deceased at Fort St. David; Tis agreed that Pagods. 78 : 26 fa. 3 ca. : be pay'd out of Cash to him, being the amount of the said James Loy'd Deceased Estate, as it now stands in the Companys Bookes at Fort St. David.

A Petition of Mr. Williboorts read, and is as Entered after this Consultation, the purport thereof relating to a Debt owing from Mr. Griffith, which matter has been depending near Two years before the Court, Arbitrators, and severall times at this board, wherein there is such intricacy as to the nature of the Debts owing that it is next to impossible for mankind to distinguish, by reason Mr. Griffith had noe Bookes nor Papers to sett forth the particulars thereof; soe according to the best of our

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Judgements we think it but right, and justice that y^e^. money in Cash of M^r^. Griffith ought to be divided amongst all his Creditors, whether it be for Account of Respondentia, Adventures, Bonds at Interest, or otherways, every one to have his due proportion according as he can make his Debt appear.

Mess^rs^. Raworth &c^a^. doe now deliver in their report of the survey of ships Litchfeild and Mountegue and is as Entered after this Consultation.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper load on board the Litchfeild her Charter-party proportion of salt Petre and Redwood, and observe the Companys orders as to the bagging of the former.

The Managers having possitively ordered that the old Companys Debt should be pay'd off, 'tis agreed that the Warehousekeepers deliver Twenty Chests of Treasure to the President and Council for the old Companys Affairs at 16½ Dollars weight for 10 Pagod^s^. which is in part of their Debt, and report the Amount next Consultation.

There being no small Anchors in store, ordered y^t^. the storekeeper buys if possible seven or eight, & let them lye by stockt for the service of this Port.

Ordered that the Warehousekeepers delivers to the Mint master the Gold now come on the Litchfeild to be coined into Pagod^s^. and the Account thereof sent the Comp^a^. apart.

There being present occasion for money to send for Fort S^t^. David, not only to carry on the Investment but to pay off Debts there; 'tis agreed the Warehousekeepers sell Ten Chests more of Silver on the same termes y^t^. sold the 18^th^. Instant.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T^: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICH^D^: HUNT.

TO THE HON^BLE^. THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR OF
FFORT S^T^. GEORGE &C^A^. COUNCIL
FOR AFFAIRS OF THE R^T^. HON^BLE^.
UNITED EAST INDIA COMP^Y^.

HON^BLE^. S^R^.

Pursuant to your orders we yesterday went on board the Litchfeild and Mountegue, both which ships [we] throughly surveyed, & find 'em in good repair & all respects in a fitt condition to receive the Hon^ble^. Comp^s^. effects on board. We are

HON^BLE^. &C^A^. S^RS^.
Your obedient humb^l^ . servants

ROBERT RAWORTH.
HENRY [HARNET].
T[HOMAS GAYWOOD].
ROB^T^: ATKINSON.
[JOHN] OULDHAM.

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DECEMB^R^. 30^TH^ 1708.

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TO THE HON^BLE. THOMAS PITT ESQ^R.
GOVERNOUR OF FFORT S^T. GEORGE
&C^A. WORPF^LL. COUNCIL.

May it please your Hon^r. &c^a. Council

That whereas your Supplicant has often troubled the Hon^ble. Governour with his request concerning the recovery of my Debt from Henry Griffith, which hitherto have not, notwithstanding the matters being put into the hands of referees to decide. Tis now almost three years that I have neglected all other affairs in persute of that at a great Expence, and loss of time, and see little prospect of its being ended by the Gentlemen Referrees, therefore humbly beg of your Hon^r. &c^a. Council would please to take this my case into consideration in order to my departure hence with a satisfactory answere to my principalls in Bengall, which favour will ever oblige your Suplicant who is

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27^TH NOVEMB^R. 1708.

Your Hon^r. &c^a. Councils most
humble & most obedient
serv^t. to Command,
A. WILLEBOORTS.

31^st. This morning Cap^t. Casson Comand^r. of the Dispatch Gally went on board not very well recovered, and at noone saild.

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